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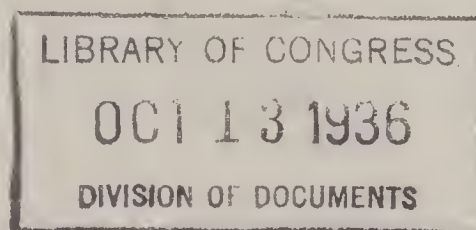
PUBLIC RESOLUTION NO. 126, SEVENTY-FIRST CONGRESS

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That hereafter the proceedings of the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the American Legion, and the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, respectively, shall, with accompanying illustrations, be printed annually as separate House documents of the session of Congress to which they may be submitted.

SEC. 2. That section 2, chapter 277, volume 43, page 473, of the Revised Statutes, approved June 6, 1924, be, and is hereby repealed.

Approved, March 2, 1931.

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## LETTER OF SUBMITTAL

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Syracuse, N. Y., March 25, 1936.*

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Resolution No. 126, Seventy-first Congress, approved March 2, 1931, there is transmitted herewith the Journal of the Proceedings of the Sixty-ninth National Encampment, held at Grand Rapids, Mich., September 8-14, 1935, which is submitted for printing as a House document.

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Past Commander in Chief.*





# ENCAMPMENT ROLL LIST OF COMMITTEES

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MEMBERSHIP SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL EXCAMPMENT

The total number of names appearing on the roll of the Sixty-ninth National Encampment, as shown by the following table, is 799. Deducting previously reported, 127, the net voting strength is 672.

NATIONAL OFFICERS, PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS, AND DEPARTMENTS	De- part- ment officers	Repre- senta- tives	Past depart- ment com- mand- ers	Past senior vice depart- ment com- mand- ers	Past junior vice depart- ment com- mand- ers	Total	Deduct pre- viously re- ported	Net voting strength
National officers entitled to vote						10		10
National council of adminis- tration						41		41
Past commanders in chief						6	4	2
Past senior vice commanders in chief						10	4	6
Past junior vice commanders in chief						8	3	5
Past surgeons general						4	1	3
Past chaplains in chief						4		4
Past adjutants general						5	1	4
Past quartermasters general						1		1
Alabama	4	1	3			8	3	5
Arkansas	4	1	2			7	3	4
California and Nevada	4	12	7	2	7	32	3	29
Colorado and Wyoming	4	3	5	1	2	15	1	14
Connecticut	4	3	6		2	15	3	12
Delaware	4	2	7			13	4	9
Florida	4	2	8	1	4	19	2	17
Idaho	4	2	6	2	1	15	2	13
Illinois	4	11	6		2	23	2	21
Indiana	4	8	5	5	5	27	1	26
Iowa	4	6	6	3		19	3	16
Kansas	4	8	9	2	4	27	3	24
Kentucky	4	2	6		1	13	4	9
Louisiana and Mississippi	4	2	3			9	3	6
Maine	4	4	7	2	1	18	3	15
Maryland	4	2	2		1	9	2	7
Massachusetts	4	7	5			16	4	12
Michigan	4	6	4	4	2	20		20
Minnesota	4	4	6	2	2	18	3	15
Missouri	4	3	10	4	8	29	2	27
Montana	4	1	4	1	1	11	2	9
Nebraska	4	4	6	2	2	18	2	16
New Hampshire	4	2	5			11	1	10
New Jersey	4	2	7	3		16	2	14
New York	4	11	10	6	4	35	4	31
North Dakota	4	1	8			13	4	9
Ohio	4	9	4	3	5	25	3	22
Oklahoma	4	2	10		1	17	6	11
Oregon	4	4	11	1	2	22	4	18
Pennsylvania	4	17	7	8	2	38	4	34

NATIONAL OFFICERS, PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS, AND DEPARTMENTS	De-part-ment officers	Repre-senta-tives	Past depart-ment com-mand-ers	Past senior vice depart-ment com-mand-ers	Past junior vice depart-ment com-mand-ers	Total	Deduct pre-viously re-ported	Net voting strength
Potomac-----	4	2	6	-----	-----	12	4	8
Rhode Island-----	4	2	7	-----	-----	13	3	10
South Dakota-----	4	2	12	3	3	24	6	18
Tennessee-----	4	1	6	1	-----	12	3	9
Texas-----	4	1	5	2	1	13	3	10
Utah-----	4	1	3	-----	1	9	1	8
Vermont-----	4	1	7	2	-----	14	4	10
Virginia and North Carolina-----	4	1	1	-----	-----	6	1	5
Washington and Alaska-----	4	4	4	3	2	17	2	15
West Virginia-----	4	2	3	-----	-----	9	2	7
Wisconsin-----	4	5	5	4	5	23	2	21
Total-----	164	164	244	67	71	799	127	672



# ROLL OF THE SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SEPTEMBER 8-14, 1935

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## NATIONAL OFFICERS

*Commander in chief*

ALFRED E. STACEY, Elbridge, N. Y.

*Senior vice Commander in chief*

HARDING I. MERRILL,<sup>1</sup> Wichita, Kans.

*Junior vice commander in chief*

GEORGE H. POUNDER,<sup>1</sup> Fort Atkinson, Wis.

*Surgeon general*

Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN,<sup>1</sup> Crawfordsville, Ind.

*Chaplain in chief*

Rev. J. KING GIBSON,<sup>1</sup> Dayton, Ohio

*Adjutant general*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,<sup>1</sup> Jackson, Mich.

*Quartermaster General*

SAMUEL P. TOWN,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia, Pa.

*Judge advocate general*

JAMES W. WILLETT,<sup>1</sup> Tama, Iowa

*Inspector general*

M. H. DAVIDSON,<sup>1</sup> Louisville, Ky.

*National patriotic instructor*

C. P. LOMAX,<sup>2</sup>

*Assistant adjutant general*

IRA R. WILDMAN,<sup>1 3</sup> Danbury, Conn.

*Chief of staff*

JAMES H. CAMPBELL,<sup>4</sup> Chicago, Ill.

*Senior aide-de-camp*

JOHN C. MULLINS,<sup>1 5</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Died Aug. 21, 1935.

<sup>3</sup> Past Department Commander, Connecticut.

<sup>4</sup> Past Department Commander, Illinois.

<sup>5</sup> Past Senior Vice Department Commander, New York.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

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Alabama: Frank McCloud, Fairhope, Ala.  
Arkansas: John Q. Hays, Little Rock, Ark.  
California and Nevada: Russell C. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, Calif.  
Colorado and Wyoming: James E. Jewel,<sup>1</sup> Fort Morgan, Colo.  
Connecticut: Henry W. Burrill,<sup>1</sup> Hartford, Conn.  
Delaware: James T. Twigg, Wilmington, Del.  
Florida: M. M. Monahan, Sulphur Springs, Fla.  
Idaho: Judson Spofford, Boise, Idaho.  
Illinois: A. C. Best,<sup>1</sup> Princeton, Ill.  
Indiana: John H. Hoffman,<sup>1</sup> Ligonier, Ind.  
Iowa: Oley Nelson,<sup>1</sup> Slater, Iowa.  
Kansas: E. W. Phillips,<sup>1</sup> Wichita, Kans.  
Kentucky: Cyrus Edwards,<sup>1</sup> Horse Cave, Ky.  
Louisiana and Mississippi: M. Henderson, Vicksburg, Miss.  
Maine: Joseph W. Lake,<sup>1</sup> Kennebunkport, Maine.  
Maryland: George T. Leech,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, Md.  
Massachusetts: Frederick H. Bishop,<sup>1</sup> Wollaston, Mass.  
Michigan: Isaac Grant,<sup>1</sup> Reed City, Mich.  
Minnesota: S. E. Mahan,<sup>1</sup> St. Paul, Minn.  
Missouri: A. J. P. Barnes, Joplin, Mo.  
Montana: W. B. White,<sup>1</sup> Billings, Mont.  
Nebraska: E. F. Brown, Lincoln, Nebr.  
New Hampshire: Frank E. Amadon,<sup>1</sup> Keene, N. H.  
New Jersey: William H. Bilbee,<sup>1</sup> Trenton, N. J.  
New York: Martin V. Stone,<sup>1</sup> Jamestown, N. Y.  
North Dakota: Thomas Sheard,<sup>1</sup> Cathay, N. Dak.  
Ohio: Emmet F. Taggart,<sup>1</sup> Akron, Ohio.  
Oklahoma: R. L. Johnson, Tonkawa, Okla.  
Oregon: Henry Hopkins,<sup>1</sup> Newberg, Oreg.  
Pennsylvania: Jacob Barron,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia, Pa.  
Potomac: Newton Charles, Washington, D. C.  
Rhode Island: Charles H. Bullock, East Providence, R. I.  
South Dakota: W. H. Cornell, Brookings, S. Dak.  
Tennessee: F. M. Underwood,<sup>1</sup> Knoxville, Tenn.  
Texas: John Shearer,<sup>1</sup> Houston, Tex.  
Utah: Elias Price, Salt Lake City, Utah.  
Vermont: John H. Amadon,<sup>1</sup> Waterville, Vt.  
Virginia and North Carolina: Charles Grandy,<sup>1</sup> Norfolk, Va.  
Washington and Alaska: T. F. Coley,<sup>1</sup> Seattle, Wash.  
West Virginia: Thomas Carder,<sup>1</sup> Parkersburg, W. Va.  
Wisconsin: W. H. Chesbrough,<sup>1</sup> Beloit, Wis.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS

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### PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

B. F. Stephenson <sup>2</sup> (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871)	1866
S. A. Hurlburt, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882)	1866-67
John A. Logan, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886)	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881)	1871-72
Charles Devens, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892)	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1899)	1875-76
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1897)	1877-78
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)	1879
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1880
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900)	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1882
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1924)	1883
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died June 14, 1909)	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914)	1885
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 22, 1896)	1886
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1887
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1888
Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907)	1889
Wheelock G. Veazy, <sup>2</sup> Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898)	1890
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1891
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923)	1892
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900)	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908)	1894
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1895
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1896
John P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910)	1897
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office, Feb. 5, 1899)	1898
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917)	1899
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 10, 1901)	1899
Leo Rassieur, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died June 1, 1929)	1900
Ell Torrance, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Feb. 18, 1932)	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917)	1902
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915)	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office, July 16, 1905)	1904
John R. King, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Mar. 3, 1934)	1905
James Tanner, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 2, 1927)	1905
Robert B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 30, 1916)	1906
Charles G. Burton, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Feb. 25, 1926)	1907
Henry N. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911)	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.	1909
John E. Gilman, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 20, 1921)	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918)	1911
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1912
Washington Gardner, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Mar. 31, 1928)	1913
David J. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Nov. 5, 1928)	1914
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 29, 1920)	1915
W. J. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 6, 1926)	1916
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died June 9, 1921)	1917
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Feb. 23, 1924)	1918
James D. Bell, <sup>2</sup> New York (died in office, Nov. 1, 1919)	1919
Daniel M. Hall, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Oct. 19, 1925)	1919
William A. Ketcham, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Dec. 27, 1921)	1920
Lewis S. Pilcher, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Dec. 24, 1934)	1921

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.



## PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF—Continued

James W. Willett, <sup>1 4</sup> Tama, Iowa	1922
Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Aug. 25, 1930)	1923
Louis F. Arensberg, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 20, 1934)	1924
John B. Inman, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 15, 1929)	1925
Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932)	1926
Elbridge L. Hawk, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Aug. 13, 1930)	1927
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 5, 1935)	1928
Edwin J. Foster, <sup>1</sup> Worcester, Mass.	1929
James E. Jewel, <sup>1 3</sup> Fort Morgan, Colo.	1930
Samuel P. Town, <sup>1 5</sup> Philadelphia, Pa.	1931
William P. Wright, <sup>2</sup> (died in office, June 15, 1933)	1932
Russell C. Martin, <sup>1 3</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (promoted June 15, 1933)	1933
Russell C. Martin, <sup>1 3</sup> Los Angeles, Calif.	1933

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 6, 1879)	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887)	1868
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)	1869-1870
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1871-72
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 13, 1896)	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Sept. 18, 1911)	1875-76
Elisha M. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917)	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1878
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1879
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904)	1880
Charles L. Young, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died September 1913)	1881
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907)	1882
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1883
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1884
Selden Connor, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died July 9, 1917)	1885
S. W. Backus, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Apr. 10, 1930)	1886
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died July 31, 1899)	1887
Moses H. Neil, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1929)	1888
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923)	1889
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office, Nov. 22, 1890)	1890
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907)	1891
Henry W. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died July 13, 1912)	1891
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died July 19, 1906)	1892
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1893
A. P. Burchfield, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910)	1894
E. H. Lobson, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901)	1895
John H. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907)	1896
Alfred Lyth, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Dec. 15, 1924)	1897
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (elected commander in chief Sept. 5, 1899; died Apr. 27, 1917)	1898
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)	1899
Irvin Robbins, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Feb. 29, 1911)	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died Oct. 21, 1921)	1900
John McElroy, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Oct. 12, 1929)	1901
William M. Olin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 18, 1911)	1902
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Dec. 25, 1913)	1903
John R. King, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (promoted commander in chief July 17, 1905)	1904
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)	1905
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> Colorado and Wyoming (died Dec. 17, 1916)	1905
William A. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914)	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 6, 1912)	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918)	1908
William M. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Apr. 8, 1935)	1909
Charles Burrows, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Mar. 17, 1935)	1910
Nicholas W. Day, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 6, 1916)	1911

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Judge advocate general.<sup>5</sup> Quartermaster general.



## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

Henry Z. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died March 1923)-----	1912
Thomas H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> Oklahoma (died Aug. 12, 1918)-----	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died in office, Mar. 9, 1915)-----	1914
William F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (promoted Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919) --	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Feb. 9, 1929)-----	1915
William H. Wormstead, Marblehead, Mass-----	1916
John L. Clem, Washington, D. C-----	1917
John G. Chambers, Portland, Oreg-----	1918
Charles B. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Dec. 1, 1928)-----	1919
George A. Hosley, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died May 13, 1930)-----	1920
Robert W. McBride, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died May 15, 1926)-----	1921
C. S. Brodbent, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Apr. 23, 1931)-----	1922
Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932)-----	1923
Wilfred A. Wetherbee, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Nov. 13, 1930)-----	1924
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Apr. 26, 1933)-----	1925
A. G. Beatty, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Nov. 17, 1928)-----	1926
Calvin A. Brainard, <sup>1 4</sup> Jackson, Mich-----	1927
James E. Jewel, <sup>1 3</sup> Fort Morgan, Colo-----	1928
Charles E. Nason, <sup>1</sup> Portland, Maine-----	1929
Jacob Secrest, <sup>1</sup> Cincinnati, Ohio-----	1930
Oley Nelson, <sup>1 3</sup> Slater, Iowa-----	1931
Russell C. Martin, <sup>1 3</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (commander in chief June 15, 1933)-----	1932
Charles E. Jones <sup>2</sup> (promoted June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)-----	1933
Thomas H. Peacock, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died in office Jan. 23, 1934)-----	1933
Edwin H. Lincoln, <sup>1</sup> Pittsfield, Mass. (promoted Jan. 23, 1934)-----	1934

## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903)-----	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905)-----	1866-1869
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)-----	1870
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 14, 1918)-----	1871
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 22, 1933)-----	1871-72
Edgar Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901)-----	1873
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919)-----	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896)-----	1875-76
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)-----	1877
Herbert E. Hill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892)-----	1878
Harrison Dingman, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 26, 1925)-----	1879
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884)-----	1880
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died June 9, 1912)-----	1881
I. S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died May 30, 1903)-----	1882
Walter H. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Mar. 26, 1889)-----	1883
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919)-----	1884
John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900)-----	1885
Edgar Allen, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904)-----	1886
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905)-----	1887
Joseph Hadfield, <sup>5</sup> New York-----	1888
John F. Lovett, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Mar. 27, 1926)-----	1889
George B. Creamer, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896)-----	1890
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)-----	1891
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904)-----	1892
J. C. Bigger, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900)-----	1893
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907)-----	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died Mar. 28, 1909)-----	1895
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906)-----	1896
Francis B. Allen, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died July 26, 1921)-----	1897
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (senior vice, Sept. 6, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916) --	1898
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911)-----	1899
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (died Nov. 20 1910)-----	1900
James O'Donnell, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910)-----	1901

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Adjutant general.<sup>5</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF—Continued

James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904)-----	1902
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907)-----	1903
George N. Patton, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (senior vice July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)-----	1904
Ephraim B. Stillings, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917)-----	1905
Silas H. Towler, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 23, 1930)-----	1905
E. B. Fenton, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Nov. 19, 1927)-----	1906
William M. Scott, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Aug. 29, 1928)-----	1907
Charles C. Royce, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Feb. 11, 1923)-----	1908
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)-----	1909
William James, <sup>2</sup> Florida (died Dec. 11, 1923)-----	1910
William A. Ogden, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914)-----	1911
Americus Whedon, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 18, 1921)-----	1912
A. S. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> Arkansas (died Oct. 18, 1922)-----	1913
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (senior vice Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)-----	1914
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (elected Apr. 1, 1915; died Apr. 26, 1933)-----	1915
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Mar. 6, 1925)-----	1915
E. K. Russ, <sup>5</sup> Louisiana-----	1916
John M. Vernon, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Nov. 20, 1921)-----	1917
Charles H. Haber, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Nov. 30, 1927)-----	1918
Isidore Isaacs, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1924)-----	1919
J. E. Gandy, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died June 5, 1934)-----	1920
Henry A. Johnson, Washington, D. C.-----	1921
C. V. Gardner, <sup>2</sup> South Dakota (died Dec. 15, 1930)-----	1922
George T. Leech, <sup>1,3</sup> Baltimore, Md-----	1923
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 5, 1935)-----	1924
William O. Allen, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Sept. 22, 1931)-----	1925
Charles H. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Oct. 16, 1933)-----	1926
Samuel E. Mahan, <sup>1,3</sup> St. Paul, Minn-----	1927
Henry J. Kearney, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 30, 1933)-----	1928
James W. Shields, <sup>2</sup> Idaho (died Dec. 17, 1933)-----	1929
Charles H. Lewis, Pawtucket, R. I.-----	1930
Russell C. Martin, <sup>1,3</sup> Los Angeles, Calif-----	1931
Charles E. Jones, <sup>2</sup> (senior vice June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)-----	1932
Arthur Dawson, <sup>1</sup> Oak Park, Ill. (elected Sept. 18, 1933)-----	1933
Edwin H. Lincoln, <sup>1</sup> Pittsfield, Mass. (senior vice Jan. 23, 1934)-----	1933
John E. Andrew, <sup>1</sup> Quincy, Ill. (elected Apr. 27, 1934)-----	1934

## PAST SURGEONS GENERAL (LIVING)

Charles W. Burrill, Kansas City, Mo-----	1920, 1923, 1926
Henry A. Johnson, <sup>6</sup> Washington, D. C.-----	1927
Samuel A. Campbell, Mattoon, Ill-----	1931
A. B. Garrett, <sup>1</sup> Gallipolis, Ohio-----	1933

## PAST CHAPLAINS IN CHIEF (LIVING)

W. A. Bosworth, <sup>1</sup> Wichita, Kans-----	1920
George B. Smith, Minneapolis-----	1921
Robert W. Hill, Albany, N. Y-----	1926
Henry Hilton Wood, Long Beach, Calif-----	1930

## PAST ADJUTANTS GENERAL (LIVING)

Henry J. Seeley, <sup>1</sup> Bridgeport, Conn-----	1912
John P. Risley, Des Moines, Iowa-----	1922
Andrew S. Burt, Van Wert, Ohio-----	1923
Samuel P. Town, <sup>1,7</sup> Philadelphia, Pa-----	1924
Darwin B. Wolcott, <sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, Calif-----	1933

## PAST QUARTERMASTER GENERAL (LIVING)

Edward Hurley, <sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y-----	1931
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<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.<sup>6</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>7</sup> Quartermaster general.



## DEPARTMENTS

[The figures within parentheses indicate the number of each department in the order of permanent organization]

### ALABAMA (42)

[Organized June 26, 1876; reorganized Mar. 12, 1899. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 7. Posts, 2]

*Department commander*----- THOMAS BARR, New Orleans, La.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- LEWIS HERMAN, New Orleans, La.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- SAMUEL A. WILSON, Mandeville, La.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- FRANK MCCLOUD,<sup>3</sup> Fairhope, Ala.

### REPRESENTATIVE

Alfred N. Oliver, Birmingham

### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Cornelius Cadle, <sup>2</sup> 1868-70.	Thomas R. Gockel, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Datus E. Coon, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Henry M. Austin, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
George H. Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1871-80.	Charles C. Chapin, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
F. G. Sheppard, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	W. H. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Seymour Bullock, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Joseph Greenwood, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
A. B. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Anson B. Culver, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
William Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Charles A. Mange, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
J. Clyde Millar, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (see California and Nevada).	J. J. Powers, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	E. F. Quinn, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Manoah Bostick, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Isaac W. Higgs, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
George Wollenhaupt, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. W. Fulghum, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
W. H. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John A. Barr, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
A. G. Bethard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	James Ashworth, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
A. P. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Chester K. Roe, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
George B. Randolph, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	George Hoenig, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
George F. Jackson, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Henry F. Dodd, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
E. D. Bacon, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Frank McCloud, <sup>3</sup> Fairhope, 1925.
R. H. Allison, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. W. Clapp, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Henry Chairsell, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Littleton W. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
A. G. Negley, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	William Rife, Meridian, Miss., 1928-29.
A. N. Ballard, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Lyman C. Redfield, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
W. M. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Charles E. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1931-33 (died in office).
Charles E. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).	Frank McCloud, <sup>3</sup> Fairhope, 1933-34.
C. A. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	

### ARKANSAS (31)

[Organized July 11, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 18. Posts, 5]

*Department commander*----- W. B. BROWN, Bauxite.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- J. M. BRYANT, Little Rock.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- EDGAR HENRY, Little Rock.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- JOHN Q. HAYS,<sup>3</sup> Little Rock.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

ARKANSAS (31)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Stephen Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	Charles E. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
C. M. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	A. Y. Killingsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
C. C. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	J. M. McClintock, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Thomas Boles, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	R. J. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
S. K. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	F. W. Tucker, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
A. S. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1889-90.	A. S. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1913-14.
W. H. H. Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Charles C. Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Powell Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	H. F. Wallace, <sup>2</sup> 1916 (see California and Nevada).
Logan H. Root, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	O. J. Kyler, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Thomas H. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1893-94.	Horace Wyman, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
William C. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel Henderson, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
O. H. Spellman, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Jacob E. Leas, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
A. H. Soekland, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	George W. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
W. G. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	C. H. Parish, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
George W. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	George W. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
A. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Orin Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
W. G. Akers, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	M. C. Stouteagle, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
J. H. Avery, <sup>2</sup> 1902-03.	John Q. Hays, <sup>3</sup> Little Rock, 1926-27.
Edward T. Wolfe, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Samuel Henderson, <sup>2</sup> 1928-33 (died in office).
W. S. Bartholomew, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	W. B. Brown, <sup>4</sup> Bauxite, 1934.
John W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	
Cos Altenburg, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	

CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10)

[Organized Feb. 21, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 572. Posts, 54]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	GEO. N. LOCKWOOD, <sup>1</sup> Eagle Rock City.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> ----	SAMUEL R. YOHIO, San Francisco.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> ----	J. W. GRIMES, Long Beach.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	D. B. WOLCOTT, <sup>1 5</sup> Los Angeles.

REPRESENTATIVES

David Reed, Whittier.  
G. C. Rouse, Redlands.  
C. N. Boyer,<sup>1</sup> Sacramento.  
S. H. Enyeart, Huntington Park.  
Eugene Merrick,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
A. H. Cain,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
W. E. Estes, San Francisco.  
J. W. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Santa Cruz.  
J. S. Willson,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
George Stamp, Los Angeles.  
John Knowlen, Los Angeles.  
James Dixon,<sup>1</sup> Long Beach.

ALTERNATES

R. F. Shifflett,<sup>1</sup> Long Beach.  
O. H. Castle,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
H. Q. Morton,<sup>1</sup> Sawtelle.  
Chas. McDonald,<sup>1</sup> Inglewood.  
Wm. W. Britton,<sup>1</sup> Venice.  
Elisha Ames,<sup>1</sup> Sawtelle.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John E. Miller <sup>2</sup> (provisional), 1867.	James M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1884.
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> 1885.
W. L. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	W. R. Smedburg, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
W. E. McArthur, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	E. S. Salomon, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
W. H. Aiken, <sup>2</sup> 1873-74.	T. H. Goodman, <sup>2</sup> 1888.
A. Carlson, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	George E. Gard, <sup>2</sup> 1889.
A. C. Bagley, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	A. J. Buckles, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
S. W. Backus, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	W. H. L. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
S. P. Ford, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	J. B. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1892.
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> 1880-81.	E. C. Seymour, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
W. A. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	J. M. Walling, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
J. W. Staples, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	C. E. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Department commander.  
<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.



## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

T. C. Masteller, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	C. H. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
N. P. Chipman, <sup>4</sup> 1897.	John H. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Sol Cahen, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	R. C. Martin, <sup>1 3</sup> Los Angeles, 1919.
A. F. Dill, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	George D. Kellogg, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).
George M. Mott, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	G. M. Burlingame, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
George Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	William H. Noll, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
W. G. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	S. W. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
William R. Shafter, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	James R. Milner, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Charles T. Rice, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	George W. Grannis, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
W. W. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	C. S. Stoddard, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
William C. Alberger, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Peter H. Mass, San Francisco, 1926.
William G. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	W. A. Packard, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Samuel Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	H. H. Woodruff, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
W. S. Daubenspeck, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Darwin B. Wolcott, <sup>1 5</sup> Los Angeles, 1929.
E. L. Hawk, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	John C. Chapman, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
H. V. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	A. E. Vest, San Diego, 1931.
W. R. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	J. S. Dumser, Oakland, 1932.
G. M. Stormont, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	O. H. Mennet, <sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, 1933.
B. B. Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	Wm. M. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
Hiram P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1915.	
A. E. Leavitt, <sup>2</sup> 1916.	

J. Clyde Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Alabama.  
 George Hoxworth,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Arizona.  
 James P. Rhodes,<sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Arizona.  
 D. P. Kyle,<sup>2</sup> 1921, transferred from Arizona.  
 H. F. Wallace,<sup>2</sup> 1916, transferred from Arkansas.  
 U. S. Hollister,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
 R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
 P. Q. Stoner,<sup>2</sup> 1913, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.  
 Silas Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1919, transferred from Idaho.  
 Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877, transferred from Illinois.  
 John J. Steadman, Hollywood, 1892, transferred from Iowa.  
 O. H. Coulter,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Kansas.  
 Perry H. Manchester,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Montana.  
 A. V. Cole,<sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Nebraska.  
 Clarendon E. Adams,<sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from Nebraska.  
 John W. Edwards,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from New Mexico.  
 H. B. Steward,<sup>2</sup> 1910, transferred from New Mexico.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from New York.  
 William A. Bentley,<sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from North Dakota.  
 J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 James E. Burns,<sup>2</sup> 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 W. H. Hornaday,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 W. S. Tilton,<sup>2</sup> transferred from Oklahoma.  
 M. V. Lucas,<sup>2</sup> 1884–86, transferred from South Dakota.  
 E. T. Langley,<sup>2</sup> 1890, transferred from South Dakota.  
 Philip Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from South Dakota.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from South Dakota.  
 M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Utah.  
 William M. Bostaph,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from Utah.  
 Frank M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1904, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 W. H. Wiscombe,<sup>2</sup> 1910, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 John J. See,<sup>2</sup> 1917, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 O. D. McDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 A. H. DeGroff,<sup>2</sup> 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John J. Ogle, San Diego, 1915, transferred from Indiana.  
 Charles H. Hall, Santa Monica, 1889, transferred from Pennsylvania.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the Order.<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.

CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10)—Continued

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Wm. H. Wharff, Berkeley, 1890.	H. M. Mingay, Tujunga, 1933.
Perry O. Needham, Los Angeles, 1930.	E. G. Robinson, San Jose, 1935.
Simon Price, Long Beach, 1931.	
H. S. Clyde, Modesto, 1912, transferred from Oregon.	

COLORADO AND WYOMING (21)

[Organized as the Department of Colorado in 1868; reorganized in 1876 as Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado, July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming, Aug. 28, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 84. Posts, 14]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	TOBIAS MATTOX, Greeley, Colo.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	GEORGE COBURN, Denver.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	T. D. MEANS, <sup>1</sup> Boulder.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY HOFFMAN, <sup>1</sup> Denver.

REPRESENTATIVES	ALTERNATES
Lewis H. Easterly, <sup>1</sup> Gunnison, Colo.	A. A. Fox, Buffalo, Wyo.
G. P. Garland, Laramie, Wyo.	Herbert O. Waxum, <sup>1</sup> Boulder.
Robert Bryan, <sup>1</sup> Boulder, Colo.	

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Frederick J. Bancroft, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Henry C. Watson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Andrew W. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	John W. Wingate, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
John W. Donnellan, <sup>2</sup> 1880-82.	William W. Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).
Eugene K. Stimson, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	William H. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Byron L. Carr, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Dexter T. Sapp, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Aninman V. Bohn, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Henry M. Minor, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Henry Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Cyrus A. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
George Ady, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	O. S. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
John W. Browning, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Frank O. Burdick, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Thomas J. Fisher, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	James Moynahan, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Delos L. Holden, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	James H. Comstock, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Asa Curl, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
John C. Kennedy, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Carroll M. Bills, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Myron W. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Marshall S. Crawford, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Nathaniel Rollins, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	James E. Jewel, <sup>1 3</sup> Fort Morgan, 1921.
Nicholas J. O'Brien, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel J. Capps, <sup>2</sup> 1922 (died in office).
Horace O. Dodge, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. W. Hogle, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
U. S. Hollister, <sup>2</sup> 1897 (see California and Nevada).	William Butler, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Wm. T. S. May, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	J. C. Plank, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Andrew Royal, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. L. Randall, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Harper M. Orahood, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. M. Robertson, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Linus E. Sherman, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	J. E. Laycock, Manitou, 1927.
James W. Huff, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	C. Ricketts, Boulder, 1928.
Harrison S. Vaughn, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. E. Moses, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).
Thomas J. Downen, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	R. Q. Tenney, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
George W. Curfman, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	David N. Heiser, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Loren C. Dana, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	E. C. Condit, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Richard H. Mellette, <sup>2</sup> 1907 (see California and Nevada).	Alba J. Rawson, <sup>1</sup> Olathe, 1932-33.
	Chas. H. Pridmore, Denver, 1934.

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

J. M. Lawrence, Gunnison, 1922

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Thomas A. Castle, Cheyenne, Wyo., 1933.	N. Burton Yackey, <sup>1</sup> Pueblo, 1934.
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<sup>1</sup> Present.                      <sup>2</sup> Deceased.                      <sup>3</sup> National council of administration.



## CONNECTICUT (6)

[Organized Apr. 11, 1867. Membership Dec. 31, 1934, 95. Posts, 29]

*Department Commander*----- CASPER D. WALLACE,<sup>1</sup> Bridgeport.  
*Senior Vice Department Commander*----- EDWARD A. PINCKNEY,<sup>1</sup> Bethel.  
*Junior Vice Department Commander*----- RUSSELL VAN DEUSEN, Bridgeport.  
*Assistant Adjutant General*----- EDWARD T. ABBOTT,<sup>1</sup> Bridgeport.

## REPRESENTATIVES

Henry A. Lankton,<sup>1</sup> Wethersfield.  
 Homer F. Northrup, Waterbury.  
 James M. Collins, Hartford.

## ALTERNATES

Truman N. Parsons,<sup>1</sup> Bridgeport.  
 Charles W. Gesner,<sup>1</sup> New Haven.  
 Charles L. Hertle, Hartford.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Edward Harland,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Theodore G. Ellis,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 William A. Mallory,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 L. A. Dickinson,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Charles S. Buckbee,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 William E. Disbrow,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Frank G. Otis,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Frank E. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 George S. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Alfred B. Beers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Ira E. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Isaac C. Hyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 William Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Frank D. Sloat,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 John T. Crary,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry E. Taintor,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Samuel B. Horne,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 William H. Pierpont,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 John C. Broatch,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Henry N. Fanton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Benajah P. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wilbur F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Selah G. Blakeman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 John M. Brewer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Oscar W. Cornish,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Gustav D. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William Simonds,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Henry R. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John K. Bucklyn,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Thomas Boudren,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 N. Burton Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Morgan G. Bulkeley,<sup>2</sup> 1903.

William C. Hilliard,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Albert A. May,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Virgil F. McNeil,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Charles A. Appel,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Edward Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Haven,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Edson S. Bishop,<sup>7</sup> 1910.  
 Richard J. Cutbill,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 William H. Dougal,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 James R. Sloane,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Fred V. Streeter,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Charles Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Henry J. Seeley,<sup>5</sup> Bridgeport, 1916.  
 Benjamin H. Cheney,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Christian Quien,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 George T. Meech,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Randolp Williamson,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 Christian Swartz,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 Orrin M. Price,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 John L. Saxe,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Ira R. Wildman,<sup>1</sup> Danbury, 1924.  
 James W. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 James R. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 Charles M. Shailer,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 George A. Tucker,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 James Haggerty,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 Frank A. Cargill,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 Henry W. Burrill,<sup>1,3</sup> Hartford, 1931.  
 Lewis L. Baker,<sup>1</sup> New London, 1932.  
 Edward T. Abbott,<sup>1,3</sup> Bridgeport, Conn., 1933.  
 Lyman H. Call,<sup>2</sup> 1934.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Nathan Coe. Newington, 1925; 1931. | George Lyon, Ansonia, 1934.

## DELAWARE (23)

[Organized Jan. 14, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 38. Posts, 4]

*Department commander*----- LEWIS MORSE, Wilmington.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- THOMAS J. HAMMONDS, Cheswold.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- GUSTAVE A. MILLER, Dover.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- JAMES T. TWIGG,<sup>3</sup> Wilmington.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.<sup>7</sup> Not a member of the order.<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.





## FLORIDA (36)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

Samuel W. Fox, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	G. W. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
S. R. Hudson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	C. J. Rose, Miami, 1922.
James Skinner, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Samuel Sage, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
James O. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	James Campbell, St. Cloud, 1924.
Joseph Bumby, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	A. C. Shaffer <sup>2</sup> (died in office), 1925.
William P. Lynch, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	J. A. Brown <sup>2</sup> (died in office), 1925.
William S. Siggins, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	J. H. DeGraw, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Lyman Leighton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	A. R. Sawyer, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
James F. Bullard, <sup>2</sup> 1915.	Wayne W. Blossom, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
W. H. Melrath, <sup>2</sup> 1916.	D. S. Hunter, <sup>4</sup> Miami, 1928.
John A. Wallace, <sup>2</sup> 1917.	A. W. Lathrop, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
H. B. Jeffries, Zephyrhills, 1918.	C. E. Beach, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Theodore W. B. Brake <sup>2</sup> (died in office), 1919.	James H. Simpson, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
George E. Field, <sup>2</sup> 1919.	Logan J. Dyke, Union City, Pa., 1932.
Imri A. Spencer, St. Petersburg, 1920.	D. S. Hunter, <sup>4</sup> Cocanut Grove, 1933-34.
S. H. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1905, transferred from Vermont.	
C. E. Beach, <sup>2</sup> 1908, transferred from Vermont.	
A. P. Rounseville, <sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from North Dakota.	
Samuel Baughman, St. Cloud, 1926, transferred from Kansas.	

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

C. W. Eldredge, St. Petersburg, 1933

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

D. C. Thomas, St. Petersburg, 1923.	H. W. Strong, St. Petersburg, 1931.
A. U. Cooley, St. Cloud, 1930.	Francis Young, Lynn Haven, 1933.

## IDAHO (39)

[Organized Jan. 11, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 34. Posts, 6]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	FRANK WILLIAMS, <sup>1</sup> Boise.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	ALLEN MCALAVY, Weiser.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	GEORGE H. BATCHELDER, Boise.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN S. THORN, <sup>1</sup> Boise.

## REPRESENTATIVES

James P. Taylor,<sup>1</sup> Boise.  
Abe Richardson, Boise.

## ALTERNATES

J. O. Miles, Boise.  
M. H. Gordon, Caldwell.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. H. Nye, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Charles A. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
A. S. Senter, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	William C. Maxey, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
W. T. Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George M. Parsons, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
Judson Spofford, <sup>3</sup> Boise, 1891.	E. S. Whittier, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
A. O. Ingalls, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	C. F. Drake, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
R. H. Barton, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	George A. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
T. J. Groome, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Alfred Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
D. H. Budlong, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	A. M. Rowe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
J. L. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	William K. Jameson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Lindol Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Stewart Young, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
N. F. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Willard White, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
S. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	M. W. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
	J. W. Shields, <sup>2</sup> 1912.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

IDAHO (39)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

A. G. Nettleton, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	C. L. Longley, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
H. J. Newhouse, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	George Gardner, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
William H. Cable, <sup>2</sup> 1915.	John S. Thorn, <sup>1 8</sup> Boise, 1926.
R. H. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1916.	R. P. Drury, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
George F. Kimery, <sup>2</sup> 1917.	W. J. Neely, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
F. T. Page, <sup>2</sup> 1918.	Otto F. Steen, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Silas Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (see California and Nevada).	S. H. McCullough, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
John Carr, <sup>2</sup> 1920.	W. H. Johns, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
William S. Hawkes, <sup>2</sup> 1921.	Jeremiah Williams, Boise, 1932.
William Bower, <sup>2</sup> 1922.	T. W. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1933 (died in office).
F. J. Titus, Nampa, 1923.	George W. Kingsbury, <sup>1</sup> Emmett, 1934.
	E. A. Paddock, <sup>1</sup> Weiser, 1934.

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Frank Gibbon, Pocatello, 1917.	Elisha White, Boise, 1934.
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PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

James M. Bice, Twin Falls, 1919.

ILLINOIS (1)

[Organized Apr. 6, 1866. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 489. Posts, 124]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	A. E. LEWIS, <sup>1</sup> Georgetown.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	MILTON H. MYERS, <sup>1</sup> Park Ridge.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES C. THOMAS, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.

REPRESENTATIVES

ALTERNATES

Frank Munsell, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.	C. H. Collins, Decatur.
Frank W. Lord, Aurora.	R. D. Parker, Downers Grove.
Albert E. Gage, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.	Julius H. Reed, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.
L. D. Vance, <sup>1</sup> Quincy.	Charles O. Brown, Oak Park.
Fred Buy, <sup>1</sup> Danville.	Charles W. Beam, <sup>1</sup> Joliet.
Elijah Jones, <sup>1</sup> Springfield.	Z. Taylor Rowlette, Rantoul.
Jacob Luchsinger, <sup>1</sup> Depue.	Henry Stanley, Chicago.
M. K. Birch, <sup>1</sup> Sullivan.	Leroy A. Simmons, Oak Park.
W. J. Vertrees, <sup>1</sup> Bushnell.	
T. B. Weston, Wenona.	
John M. Kennedy, <sup>1</sup> Aurora.	

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	L. T. Dickason, <sup>2</sup> 1884.
John M. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	W. W. Berry, <sup>2</sup> 1885.
Thomas S. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> 1868-70.	Philip Sidney Post, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
Charles E. Lippincott, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	A. C. Sweetser, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
Hubert Dilger, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> 1888.
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	James S. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1889.
H. H. Hilliard, <sup>2</sup> 1874-76.	William L. Distin, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1877 (see California and Nevada).	Horace S. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
T. B. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Edwin Harlan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> 1879-80.	Edwin A. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
J. W. Burst, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	H. H. McDowell, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	William H. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
Samuel A. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	W. G. Cochran, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
	A. L. Schimpff, <sup>2</sup> 1897.

<sup>1</sup> Present.                      <sup>2</sup> Deceased.                      <sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



## ILLINOIS (1)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

John C. Black,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John B. Inman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 J. M. Longnecker,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 N. B. Thistlewood,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 H. M. Trimble,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Benson Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Robert Mann Woods,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 John C. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Edwin H. Buck,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 A. C. Mathews,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Joseph Rosenbaum,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Philip C. Hayes,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 James A. Connolly,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 C. C. Duffy,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas H. Gault,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 J. H. Crowder,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Samuel Fallows,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 John M. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 W. F. Calhoun,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 C. S. Bentley,<sup>2</sup> 1917.

Joseph W. Fifer, Bloomington, 1918.  
 Henry D. Fulton,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Edwin N. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 William P. Wright,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 E. P. Bartlett, 1922 (died in office).  
 J. M. Oulson,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 William J. Libberton,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Philip Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 O. R. Kenney,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 John E. Andrew,<sup>1 9</sup> Quincy, 1926.  
 D. H. Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 Charles T. Marsh,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 H. B. Davidson,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 A. C. Best,<sup>1 3</sup> Princeton, 1930.  
 James H. Campbell, Chicago, 1931.  
 H. C. First,<sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).  
 Wm. O'Callaghan, 1932.  
 George A. Robinson, Belvedere, 1933.  
 William N. Hodge,<sup>1</sup> Decatur, 1934.

Milton J. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Kansas.  
 Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Indiana.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

A. H. Roberts,<sup>1</sup> Murphysboro, 1930. | J. W. Lusk, Monmouth, 1934.

## INDIANA (20)

[Organized Aug. 20, 1866; reorganized Oct. 3, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 341.  
 Posts, 78]

*Department commander*----- EDWARD McCLELLAND,<sup>1</sup> Muncie.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- DANIEL T. PRICE, Marion.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- WILLIAM MATTHEWS, Centerville.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- JOSEPH B. HENNINGER,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.

## REPRESENTATIVES

J. J. M. LaFollette,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 C. W. Lindley, Bloomington.  
 J. H. McCammack, Martinsville.  
 Jacob Rader,<sup>1</sup> Muncie.  
 George R. Streeter,<sup>1</sup> Hammond.  
 O. N. Wilmington,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 J. E. Rishel,<sup>1</sup> LaFayette.  
 Isaac W. Sharp,<sup>1</sup> Warsaw.

## ALTERNATES

A. A. Jones,<sup>1</sup> LaFayette.  
 James F. Bird,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 D. S. Moist, Union City.  
 P. H. Lalley, Crawfordsville.  
 Daniel Murray, Indianapolis.  
 John H. Stone, Kokomo.  
 James H. Clark, Indianapolis.  
 Nelson H. Stewart, Star City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Robert S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1866; 1868.  
 Nathan Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Oliver M. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Louis Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Jonathan B. Hagar,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Samuel E. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William W. Dudley,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James R. Carnahan,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.

Edwin Nicar,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 David N. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Thomas W. Bennett,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Ira J. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Argus D. Vanosdol,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Illinois).  
 Gil R. Stormont,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Ivan N. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1891.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>9</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

INDIANA (20)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

Joseph B. Cheadle, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. B. Crampton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
James T. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Lewis King, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Albert O. Marsh, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	V. V. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Harvey B. Shively, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel M. Hench, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Henry M. Caylor, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Alonzo Murphy, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
James S. Dodge, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	William F. Medsker, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Daniel Ryan, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Robert W. McBride, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
William L. Dunlap, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Richard H. Tyner, Newcastle, 1921.
David E. Breem, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	William A. Kelsey, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Milton Garrigus, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Albert J. Ball, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Benjamin Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	F. M. VanPelt, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
George W. Grubbs, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	David Strouse, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Daniel R. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	James W. Spain, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Marine D. Tackett, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	John H. Hoffman, <sup>1 3</sup> Ligonier, 1927.
Edmund R. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	W. F. Molyneaux, Gary, 1928.
William A. Ketcham, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Charles E. Hale, Logansport, 1929.
John D. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Isaac B. Austin, <sup>2</sup> 1930 (died in office).
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	James Kilmartin, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Alexander P. Asbury, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	F. M. McNair, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Daniel Waugh, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	James Bowden, Muncie, 1932.
Frank Swigart, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).	Jasper N. Callicott, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Wilbur E. Gorsuch, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	John F. McKinley, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
Daniel W. Comstock, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Phil W. Brown, Franklin, 1928.	Wm. H. Cooper, Indianapolis, 1933.
A. F. Baker, Wabash, 1930.	A. L. Akers, <sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, 1934.
David Kinney, <sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, 1931.	

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Virgil E. Chance, Connersville, 1922.	John H. Shelton, Rochester, 1933.
Quincy A. Hunt, Terre Haute, 1929.	Henry Rogers, Rockville, 1934.
James W. Beck, Danville, 1931.	

IOWA (19)

[Organized Sept. 1866; reorganized Jan. 23, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 271. Posts, 49]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	J. C. HANES, <sup>1</sup> Des Moines.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	JOHN F. BAKER, <sup>1</sup> Newton.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, <sup>1 5</sup> Des Moines.

REPRESENTATIVES

W. B. Lovell,<sup>1</sup> Clinton.  
G. H. Clement, Marshalltown.  
W. P. Allred,<sup>1</sup> Corydon.  
D. M. Balliet, Waterloo.  
Fred Pettigrew, Spencer.  
Michael Hawk,<sup>1</sup> Sioux City.

ALTERNATES

M. H. Morse,<sup>1</sup> Wyoming.  
H. P. Brown, Davenport.  
E. Hinchcliffe, Iowa City.  
J. C. Boice, Washington.  
J. P. McDonough, Kirksville.  
Wm. T. Toms,<sup>1</sup> Nevada.  
R. S. McGeehon,<sup>1</sup> Atlantic.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Parrott, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	W. F. Conrad, <sup>2</sup> 1880.
A. A. Perkins, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	Peter V. Carey, <sup>2</sup> 1881.
H. E. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	George B. Hugin, <sup>2</sup> 1882.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.



## IOWA (19)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

John B. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Lot Abraham, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
E. G. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. D. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
W. R. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	J. W. Willett, <sup>1 11</sup> Tama, 1913.
W. A. McHenry, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Byron C. Ward, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
J. M. Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	John F. Merry, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
E. A. Consigny, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John H. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Charles H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. L. Farrington, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Mason P. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	E. J. C. Bealer, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Charles L. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	A. G. Beatty, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
J. J. Steadman, <sup>12</sup> Hollywood, Calif., 1892.	R. L. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Phil. Schaller, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. B. Harsh, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
George A. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	L. J. Kron, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. K. P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. W. Gist, <sup>2</sup> 1923 (died in office).
Josiah Given, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	W. S. Freeman, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
A. H. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	W. H. Needham, <sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).
R. W. Tirrell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	D. B. Cowles, <sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).
C. F. Bailey, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Orlando S. Hartman, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
M. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Frank Dagle, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
George Metzger, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	E. J. Stonebraker, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
John Lindt, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Oley Nelson, <sup>1 3</sup> Slater, 1927.
L. B. Raymond, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	J. W. Stratton, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
R. T. St. John, Riceville, 1904.	John K. Ewing, <sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).
S. H. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Joseph Pratt, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
C. A. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Watson Risen, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
D. J. Palmer, <sup>5</sup> 1907.	John T. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
J. C. Milliman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Thomas J. Noll, <sup>1</sup> Grinnell, 1932.
M. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Frank L. Quade, <sup>1</sup> Dubuque, 1933.
H. A. Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	L. J. Leech, <sup>1</sup> West Branch, 1934.
	Horace B. Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1935 (died in office).

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

E. P. Taylor, <sup>1</sup> Fairfield, 1926.	Charles McCoy, Keokuk, 1933.
B. F. Stow, <sup>1</sup> Ottumwa, 1931.	

## KANSAS (22)

[Organized Dec. 7, 1866; reorganized Mar. 16, 1880. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 374. Posts, 113]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	A. O. GERE, <sup>1</sup> Stafford.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> —	J. G. BYINGTON, <sup>1</sup> National Military Home.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> ..	J. H. GETTY, <sup>1</sup> Ottawa.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	H. I. MERRILL, <sup>1 13</sup> Topeka.

## REPRESENTATIVES

Scott Kelsey, Topeka.  
Philip Weinrich,<sup>1</sup> Winfield.  
W. A. Garvin, Troy.  
J. P. Fair, Mankato.  
Henry Biele, Chanute.  
Charles Wingrove,<sup>1</sup> Clay Center.  
Henry Keller,<sup>1</sup> Wilson.  
William Basore,<sup>1</sup> Neodesha.

## ALTERNATES

B. F. Johnson,<sup>1</sup> Wichita.  
John Casey, Ottawa.  
John Malloy, Hutchinson.  
Henry Button, Pomona.  
A. O. Ewing, Topeka.  
J. H. Morland, Kansas City.  
David Allen,<sup>1</sup> Jetmore.  
John Lonergan,<sup>1</sup> Marysville.  
J. B. Mills,<sup>1</sup> Wichita.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.<sup>11</sup> Judge advocate general.<sup>12</sup> Transferred to California and Nevada.<sup>13</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.

KANSAS (22)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John A. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	W. A. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
John Carpenter, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Joel H. Rickel, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
W. S. Jenkins, 1872, <sup>2</sup> (see Missouri).	Nathan E. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Stephen A. Cobb, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	T. P. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
John Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	J. N. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1912-13.
J. H. Gilpatrick, <sup>2</sup> 1877-1878.	Ira D. Brougher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
J. C. Walkinshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1879-1882.	C. A. Meek, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Thomas J. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	R. M. Painter, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Homer W. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	A. C. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Milton J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1885 (see Illinois).	W. W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
C. J. McDivett, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Theodore Gardner, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1887 (see Oklahoma).	Joseph A. Walter, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
J. W. Feighan, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	George P. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1921 (died in office).
Henry Booth, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	E. W. Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Ira A. Collins, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	William W. Dennison, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Timothy McCarthy, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	William H. Mitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
A. R. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Andrew Graff, Wellington, 1924.
Bernard Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Fred Jackson, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
W. P. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> Wichita, 1894.	Samuel Baughman, St. Cloud, Fla., <sup>14</sup> 1926.
John P. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	R. H. McWhorter, Coffeyville, <sup>1</sup> 1927.
W. C. Whitney, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	H. I. Merrill, Wichita, <sup>1 13</sup> 1928.
Theodore Botkin, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. W. Priddy, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
D. W. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Oklahoma).	C. K. King, Kansas City, 1930.
O. H. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (see California and Nevada).	E. W. Phillips, <sup>3</sup> Wichita, 1931. <sup>1 3</sup>
W. W. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	J. H. Harvey, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
J. B. Remington, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Grear Nagel, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
H. C. Loomis, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	H. W. Wardell, Hutchinson, 1932.
Abraham W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. B. Rhodes, <sup>1</sup> Manhattan, 1933.
Charles Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	W. W. Nixon, <sup>1</sup> Jewel, 1934.
P. H. Coney, <sup>2</sup> 1905-06.	
R. A. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

D. B. Clum, Parsons, 1922.	David Shaver, Salina, 1931.
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PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George Plumb, Emporia, 1924.	G. W. Ohmart, Augusta, 1932.
F. J. Straub, Cherryvale, 1929.	William Hammond, Emporia, 1934.

KENTUCKY (27)

[Organized Jan. 16, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 28. Posts, 10]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	CHARLES L. DUDLEY, Flemingsburg, Ky.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> ----	H. T. DRAKE, St. Cloud, Fla.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> ----	R. R. GRAHAM, Madisonville, Ky.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	M. H. DAVIDSON, <sup>1 15</sup> Louisville, Ky.

REPRESENTATIVES

George D. Olden, Louisville.	Alfred Martinis, Louisville.
<sup>1</sup> Present.	<sup>13</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.	<sup>14</sup> Transferred to Florida.
<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.	<sup>15</sup> Inspector general.



## KENTUCKY (27)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Michie,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 W. H. Harton,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 George W. Northrup,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 William Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Orrin A. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Vincent Boreing,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Michael Minton,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Samuel G. Hills,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Edward H. Hobson,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 T. Edward Livezey,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Daniel O'Riley,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Robert M. Kelly,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Americus Whedon,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Andrew J. Tharp,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 J. W. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Joseph H. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 L. M. Drye,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 John Blaes,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 T. F. Beyland,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 W. G. Foree,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 William T. Bausmith,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Bernard Matthews,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George Grimstead,<sup>2</sup> 1906.

Le Vant Dodge,<sup>2</sup> 1907-08.  
 R. B. Hewetson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Sanford D. Van Pelt,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Charles C. Degman,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 John Barr,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 W. J. L. Hughes,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Edward Farley,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 John T. Gunn,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Sam D. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 J. R. Howard,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 T. A. Casey,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Andrew Offut,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 M. H. Davidson,<sup>1 15</sup>, Louisville, 1920.  
 Jacob Seibert,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 John T. English,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 E. F. Tucker,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 C. C. Furr,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 J. D. Compton, Covington, 1925.  
 Albert Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1926 (died in office.)  
 Cyrus Edwards,<sup>3</sup> Horse Cave, 1926-28.  
 John T. Thompson, Paint Lick, 1929.  
 Robert T. Smith, Horse Cave, 1930-33.  
 Charles L. Dudley,<sup>4</sup> Flemingsburg, 1934.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Richard Lilly, Anchorage, 1927-29; 1932.

## LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI (35)

[Organized as the Department of the Gulf, May 15, 1884; changed to Louisiana and Mississippi June 13, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 49. Posts, 7]

*Department commander*----- WILLIAM ROCHESTER,<sup>1</sup> Natchez, Miss.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- JOHN AYERS,<sup>1</sup> Summit, Miss.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- ELI ROBINSON, New Orleans, La.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- JOHN PIERCE, New Orleans, La.

## REPRESENTATIVE

John Strozner, Lake Providence, La.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William Roy,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 J. W. Scully,<sup>2</sup> 1885 (see Georgia and South Carolina).  
 A. S. Badger,<sup>2</sup> 1886-92.  
 Charles H. Shute,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles W. Keeting,<sup>2</sup> 1894-99.  
 F. C. Antoine,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Paul Bruce,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Charles W. Keeting,<sup>2</sup> 1902-04.  
 J. S. Davidson,<sup>6</sup> 1905.  
 P. H. Boyle,<sup>2</sup> 1906-07.

James Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 J. A. Brookshire,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 E. K. Russ,<sup>4</sup> 1910-15.  
 E. T. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1916-1918.  
 H. N. Singleton,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 John Pierce,<sup>3</sup> New Orleans, 1920.  
 Lewis Sherman,<sup>6</sup> 1921.  
 E. J. Herman,<sup>6</sup> 1922.  
 Elihu A. Robinson,<sup>16</sup> Morman City, La., 1923-27.  
 William Rochester,<sup>4</sup> Natchez, 1928-34.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

<sup>6</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.

<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>15</sup> Inspector general.

<sup>16</sup> Junior vice department commander.

MAINE (9)

[Organized Jan. 10, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 129. Posts, 33]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	JOSEPH W. LAKE, <sup>1 3</sup> Kennebunkport.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	CHARLES F. TIBBETTS, <sup>1</sup> Augusta.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	OLIVER N. LEAVITT, <sup>1</sup> Portland.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. NASON, <sup>1 17</sup> Gray.

REPRESENTATIVES	ALTERNATES
T. N. Ayer, Alna.	Nathan Hallowell, <sup>1</sup> China.
Frank J. Savage, Fairfield.	James Fairbrother, <sup>1</sup> Belfast.
Henry R. Huntley, Rockland.	Fred Morse, <sup>1</sup> Thomaston.
Joseph Raynes, Yarmouth.	Ernest Vinton, <sup>1</sup> Saco.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George L. Beal, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Charles P. Mattocks, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	Henry O. Perry, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
Daniel White, <sup>2</sup> 1872-73.	Frederick S. Walls, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Seldon Connor, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	Frank F. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Nelson Howard, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Woodbury K. Dana, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
John D. Myrick, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	Augustus W. McCausland, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Augustus C. Hamlin, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	John W. Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Windsor B. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Edwin Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Isaac S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	William H. Holston, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
William G. Haskell, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	John F. Lamb, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Augustus B. Farnham, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Thomas S. Benson, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Elisha M. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Simon S. Andrews, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Benjamin Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Tobias L. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
James A. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	John Quincy Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Samuel W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Fred A. Motley, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Richard K. Gatley, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	George W. Goulding, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Horace H. Burbank, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Henry E. Merriam, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Franklin M. Drew, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Edward A. Butler, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
John D. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George A. Gay, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Samuel L. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Ezekiel H. Hanson, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Isaac Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Charles E. Nason, <sup>1 17</sup> Gray, 1924.
Wainwright Cushing, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Albert R. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
J. Wesley Gilman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Nathaniel W. White, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
William H. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Nahum H. Pillsbury, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Lorenzo J. Carver, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Nelson R. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Leroy T. Carleton, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Samuel F. Emerson, Skowhegan, <sup>1</sup> 1929.
Charles A. Southard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	F. S. Philbrick, Rockland, <sup>1</sup> 1930.
Frederick Robie, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Simon C. Hastings, Sidney, <sup>1</sup> 1931.
Seth T. Snipe, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	John W. Fogler, Skowhegan, <sup>1</sup> 1932.
William Z. Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	George T. Benson, Oakland, <sup>1</sup> 1933.
James L. Merrick, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	John B. Sawtelle, Oakland, <sup>1</sup> 1934.
Joshua L. Chamberlain, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. T. Wardwell, Lewiston, 1917.	C. H. George, South Paris, 1928.
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PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. A. Miller, Auburn, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.	<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.	<sup>17</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.



MARYLAND (16)

[Organized Jan. 8, 1868; reorganized June 9, 1876. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 50. Posts, 4]

Department commander----- GEORGE T. LEECH,<sup>1 3</sup> Baltimore.  
Senior vice department commander----- CHARLES H. DANIELS, Baltimore.  
Junior vice department commander----- JOHN N. YOUNG, Baltimore.  
Assistant adjutant general----- RICHARD B. SHIELDS, Baltimore.

REPRESENTATIVES

Henry Smith,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore. | A. J. Crockett, Baltimore.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Andrew W. Denison, <sup>2</sup> 1867-69.	George W. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
E. W. Goldsborough, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	David L. Stanton, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
E. T. Daneker, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Lewis M. Zimmerman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
Adams E. King, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	John R. King, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
E. B. Tyler, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	John G. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
W. E. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	John W. Worth, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1880-81.	William Stahl, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Graham Dukehart, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	James Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
John Suter, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Richard N. Bowerman, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
Frank M. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	George Prechtel, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
John W. Horn, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Fred C. Tarr, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
George W. F. Vernon, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Robert C. Sunstrom, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Henry P. Underhill, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Benjamin F. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Theodore F. Lang, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	William P. Vannort, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
George F. Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John T. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
George R. Graham, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George Prechtel, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Joseph C. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Charles N. Emich, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Wallace A. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Albert K. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Frank Nolen, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Joseph Brooks, Baltimore, 1915.
Myron I. Rose, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	James E. Van Sant, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Oliver A. Horner, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	E. Walter Giles, <sup>2</sup> 1917-18.
A. S. Cooper, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	George T. Leech, <sup>1 3</sup> Baltimore, 1919-34.

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

John H. Barrett, Baltimore, 1934

MASSACHUSETTS (7)

[Organized May 7, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 320. Posts, 93]

Department commander----- GEORGE W. GREEN,<sup>1</sup> Jamaica Plain.  
Senior vice department commander----- CHARLES L. ROBINSON,<sup>1</sup> Melrose.  
Junior vice department commander----- JOHN E. BRONSON,<sup>1</sup> Dedham.  
Assistant adjutant general----- FREDERICK H. BISHOP,<sup>1 17</sup> Boston.

REPRESENTATIVES

Leonard Boyd, Newton.  
Theodore E. Clark,<sup>1</sup> Boston.  
Joseph F. Stoddard,<sup>1</sup> Stoneham.  
Thomas A. Corson,<sup>1</sup> Lynn.  
Dudley L. Page,<sup>1</sup> Lowell.  
Charles F. Staples<sup>1</sup> Leominster.  
Edward Baker, Orange.

ALTERNATES

William H. Emery,<sup>1</sup> Roxbury.  
Julius A. Fitts, Medfield.  
A. A. Nickerson, Chelsea.  
Charles F. Peel, Newburyport.  
Robert E. Gibson, Worcester.  
Farnum E. Sawin, Pittsfield.  
Louis A. Lauriat, Norton.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>17</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

## MASSACHUSETTS (7)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Austin S. Cushman,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 A. B. R. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Francis A. Osborn,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 James L. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 William Cogswell,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 Henry R. Sibley,<sup>6</sup> 1872.  
 Adin B. Underwood,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 John W. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 George S. Merrill,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Horace B. Sargent,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
 John G. B. Adams,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 John A. Hawes,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 George W. Creasey, 1881.  
 George H. Patch,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 George S. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 John D. Billings,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John W. Hersey,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Richard F. Tobin,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Charles D. Nash,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Myron P. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George L. Goodale,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George H. Innis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Arthur A. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 James K. Churchill,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Eli W. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Wilfred A. Wetherbee,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Joseph W. Thayer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 William P. Derby,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John M. Deane,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William H. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John E. Gilman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Peter D. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Silas A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. W. Blackmar,<sup>2</sup> 1902.

Dwight O. Judd,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Lucius Field,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James H. Wolff,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 J. Payson Bradley,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Daniel H. L. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Alfred S. Roe,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John L. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 J. Willard Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).  
 Granville C. Fiske,<sup>2</sup> 1910-11.  
 George A. Hosley,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Thomas J. Ames,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 John M. Woods,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Alfred H. Knowles,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Francis E. Mole,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Daniel E. Denny,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Edwin P. Stanley,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 George W. Wilder,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Horace Goodwin,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 Edwin F. Morrill,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 Henry Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 George W. Pratt,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Benjamin A. Ham,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 William L. Gage,<sup>2</sup> 1925 (died in office).  
 Henry H. Comey,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 William F. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1926 (died in office).  
 Henry A. Monk,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 Edwin J. Foster,<sup>1 18</sup> Worcester, 1928.  
 James H. Webb, Boston, 1929.  
 Alvin C. Howes,<sup>2</sup> 1930 (died in office).  
 Waldo Turner,<sup>2</sup> 1930-31.  
 Edwin H. Lincoln,<sup>1 17</sup> Pittsfield, 1932.  
 Frederick H. Bishop,<sup>1 3</sup> Wollaston, 1933.  
 George A. Gay,<sup>1</sup> Nashua, N. H., 1934.

## MICHIGAN (18)

[Organized May 6, 1868; reorganized Jan. 22, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 241. Posts, 67]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	IRA M. STEWART, <sup>1</sup> Petoskey.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	THEODORE BURDEN, Holly.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	EDMOND ROGERS, <sup>1</sup> Allegan.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	S. H. CARLTON, <sup>1</sup> Kalamazoo.

## REPRESENTATIVES

John Beaumont, Milford.  
 Orlando LeValley,<sup>1</sup> Caro.  
 M. J. Warner,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.  
 C. M. Rathburn, Mason.  
 J. A. Hamilton,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
 Gilbert LaCroix, Mt. Clemens.

## ALTERNATES

J. W. Walker, Battle Creek.  
 M. J. Whitney, Detroit.  
 Ray Mitchell,<sup>1</sup> Flint.  
 C. B. Holmes, Benton Harbor.  
 George Wilcox,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis.  
 Ebenezer Childs,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

R. A. Alger<sup>2</sup> (provisional), 1867.  
 William A. Throop,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 William Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1869-70.  
 C. V. R. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 A. T. McReynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Byron R. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1881-82.

Oscar A. Janes,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Rush J. Shank,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Charles D. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 John Northwood,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 L. G. Rutherford,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Washington Gardner,<sup>2</sup> 1888.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>6</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.

<sup>17</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.



MICHIGAN (18)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Montana).	John T. Spillane, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Frank R. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Charles L. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Riley L. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Henry S. Dean, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Henry C. Rankin, <sup>2</sup> 1915 (died in office).
James H. Kidd, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Eli Strong, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Louis Kanitz, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	L. H. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
S. B. Daboll, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	William O. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
William Shakespeare, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	David S. Howard, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Aaron T. Bliss, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Edwin F. Lamb, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Alex Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Henry Spaulding, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Russell R. Pealer, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. J. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Ethel M. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	William Mears, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
James Van Kleeck, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Lyman A. L. Gilbert, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Edward C. Anthony, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Marvin C. Barney, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
D. B. K. Van Raalte, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	John Steel, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
George H. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	James R. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
E. C. Cannon, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Charles A. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Joseph P. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	A. C. Estabrook, <sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids, 1928-
William Jibb, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	30.
Charles E. Foote, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).	Orestus Blake, <sup>1</sup> Jackson, 1931-32.
George L. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	C. M. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1933 (died in office).
James M. Greenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	John Killeen, <sup>1</sup> Jackson, 1933.
Samuel J. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	Frank D. Keeler, <sup>1</sup> Saginaw, 1934.
George W. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

M. D. Richardson, Lansing, 1920.	J. P. Riley, Kalamazoo, 1928-29.
George W. Howe, <sup>1</sup> Port Huron, 1925.	Eugene Owen, <sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids, 1933.

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

A. F. Chappell, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, 1930.	John Finch, <sup>1</sup> Greenville, 1933-34.
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MINNESOTA (24)

[Organized Aug. 14, 1867; reorganized Aug. 17, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 167. Posts, 55]

Department commander-----	M. MULLEN, <sup>1</sup> St. Paul.
Senior vice department commander-----	H. E. THOMPSON, Minneapolis.
Junior vice department commander-----	J. E. FARNHAM, Glenwood.
Assistant adjutant general-----	R. A. BECKER, St. Paul.

REPRESENTATIVES

W. W. Holcomb,<sup>1</sup> St. Paul.  
W. C. Fisher,<sup>1</sup> White Bear.  
F. A. Caswell, Minneapolis.  
D. W. Nocton, Minneapolis.

ALTERNATES

J. A. Sargent, Crookstown.  
George Parker, Detroit Lake.  
James Lawrence, Marshall.  
L. L. Rice,<sup>1</sup> Robbinsdale.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Henry G. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	William Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
Henry A. Castle, <sup>2</sup> 1872-74.	L. L. Wheelock, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
George H. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	James H. Ege, <sup>2</sup> 1888.
Adam Marty, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	Alphonse Barto, 1889.
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	James Compton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
E. B. Rabb, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Charles D. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
R. A. Becker, <sup>8</sup> St. Paul, 1885.	L. M. Lange, <sup>2</sup> 1892.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

## MINNESOTA (24)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

John Day Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Charles H. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>1 18</sup> Minneapolis, 1894.	Watson W. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Ell Torrance, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Charles Van Campen, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. J. McCardy, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Silas H. Towler, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
E. B. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Edwin F. Kenrick, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
E. W. Mortimer, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	J. D. Budd, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
D. B. Searle, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. A. Town, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Gideon S. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	S. W. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
William H. Harries, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	E. Z. Rasey, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Perry Starkweather, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	W. H. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Isaac L. Mahan, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	S. E. Mahan, <sup>1 3</sup> St. Paul, 1924.
Harrison White, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	W. T. Scram, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
C. F. MacDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	P. G. Gorman, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Levi Longfellow, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Jacob Zuber, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
George A. Whitney, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	T. P. Garrett, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Marcus W. Bates, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	T. H. Peacock, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Loren W. Collins, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	W. H. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Philip G. Woodward, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	W. L. Hilliard, <sup>1</sup> Bemidji, 1931.
J. A. Everett, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	C. M. Peet, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
William P. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	Omar H. Case, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Charles H. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	Charles H. Cotton, Chatfield, 1934.
S. F. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1888, transferred from South Dakota.	
J. B. Hoit, <sup>2</sup> 1892, transferred from South Dakota.	

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

F. C. Wakefield, Hutchinson, 1926. | J. W. Peaslee, Minneapolis, 1929.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

L. A. Hancock, Minneapolis, 1933. | Henry Schmidt, Redwood Falls, 1934.

## MISSOURI (25)

[Organized May 16, 1867; reorganized Apr. 22, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 115. Posts, 18]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	PERRY MARTIN, <sup>1</sup> St. Louis.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	JNO. HOLLINGSWORTH, <sup>1</sup> Kansas City.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	W. S. SHEPHERD, Kansas City.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN L. PIERSON, <sup>1</sup> St. Louis.

## REPRESENTATIVES

Wm. Kowazek, <sup>1</sup> Silex.	J. A. Lane, Webb City.
W. S. Cassel, <sup>1</sup> Kansas City.	

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	Charles G. Burton, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
W. F. Chamberlain, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Louis Grund, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1885-86.	Louis Benecke, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
E. E. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Thomas B. Rodgers, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
Hiram Smith, Jr., <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John B. Platt, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
John E. Phelps, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Washington and Alaska).	A. G. Peterson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
Leo Rassieur, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John W. Scott, Daytona, Fla., 1899.
George W. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Wilbur F. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
C. W. Whitehead, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	George Hall, 1901.
	Ira T. Bronson, <sup>2</sup> 1902.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.



## MISSOURI (25)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

F. M. Sterrett, <sup>2</sup> 1903 (see Ohio).	W. C. Calland, Springfield, 1919.
Jere T. Dew, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Samuel D. Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Henry Fairback, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	A. J. P. Barnes, <sup>3</sup> Joplin, 1921.
John M. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	James H. Hunter, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Thomas D. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Samuel M. Mann, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
J. V. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Alfred Zartman, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
W. H. Skinner, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Charles Koock, Sedalia, 1925.
Robert N. Denham, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	John W. Lanley, St. Louis, 1926.
Benjamin Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	D. H. Baldrige, Joplin, 1927.
Charles W. Ruby, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	John Ferguson, <sup>1</sup> Iberia, 1928.
Arthur Dreifus, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	Charles H. Mitchell, Kansas City, 1929.
William Lowe, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	C. P. Woodruff, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
James B. Dobyne, <sup>2</sup> 1915.	P. L. Swartz, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Alex McCandless, <sup>2</sup> 1916.	A. M. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Thomas W. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1917.	R. B. Tyler, Joplin, 1933.
Phil F. Coghlan, <sup>2</sup> 1918.	Smith, George, St. Joseph, 1934.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. Hollingsworth, Kansas City, 1930.	Tilbert Van Zant, Kansas City, 1933.
J. L. Carnahan, Kansas City, 1931.	W. S. Shepherd, Kansas City, 1934.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. H. Evans, Herculaneum, 1911.	A. N. McCann, Joplin, 1930.
H. W. Sandusky, St. Joseph, 1926.	J. H. McEwen, Kansas City, 1932.
C. B. Cunningham, Youngstown, O., 1927.	J. A. Lane, Webb City, 1933.
C. W. Burrill, <sup>10</sup> Kansas City, 1928.	E. E. Latta, Clayton, 1934.

## MONTANA (37)

[Organized Mar. 10, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 21. Posts, 8]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	J. E. KANOUSE, Townsend.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	SAMUEL TAGGARD, Red Lodge.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	ROBERT LASS, Cascade.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	G. I. REICHE, <sup>1</sup> Helena.

## REPRESENTATIVE

L. J. Kirby, Hamilton.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Thomas P. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	C. B. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
Charles S. Warren, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	P. B. Manchester, <sup>2</sup> 1900 (see California and Nevada).
Ela C. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Frank P. Sterling, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
Julius G. Saunders, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Alanson N. Bull, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
James E. Galloway, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. S. Wisner, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Ed. S. Ferris, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Henry N. Blake, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Wilbur F. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
John L. Sloan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. J. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Joseph O. Gregg, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (see Ohio).	B. N. Beebe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Peter R. Dolman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Edwin C. Kinney, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Robert E. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Edwin S. Pease, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Lester S. Willson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Robert G. Huston, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Thaddeus C. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John J. Rohrbaugh, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
W. H. H. Dickinson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>10</sup> Past surgeon general.

## MONTANA (37)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

W. Y. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	D. I. Breneman, Anaconda, 1924.
P. W. Sheehy, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	R. L. Cleveland, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
E. L. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	Jacob Ohl, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
James R. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1915.	C. E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
G. I. Reiche, <sup>1 8</sup> Helena, 1916.	W. B. White, <sup>1 3</sup> Billings, 1928.
Simon Hauswirth, <sup>2</sup> 1917.	Henry Bird, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
John Marchion, <sup>2</sup> 1918.	J. W. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
J. Perry McClain, <sup>2</sup> 1919.	Charles Angus, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Charles S. Shoemaker, <sup>2</sup> 1921.	Wm. Myers, Columbia Falls, 1932.
William Coleman, <sup>2</sup> 1922.	Solomon Niles, <sup>2</sup> 1933-34 (died in office).
W. B. Harlan, <sup>2</sup> 1923.	
J. B. Wolgemuth, <sup>2</sup> 1905, transferred from South Dakota.	
Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Michigan.	

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

H. H. Makinson, Butte, 1925.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

J. W. Humble, Hamilton, 1933.

## NEBRASKA (17)

[Organized June 11, 1877. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 161. Posts, 46]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	C. H. KINNEY, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	A. F. REXROAD, Omaha.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	J. J. AULABAUGH, Omaha.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	S. S. WARREN, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln

## REPRESENTATIVES

F. L. Wood, <sup>1</sup> Tekamah.	C. S. Cadwallader, <sup>1</sup> Oxford.
John Seberg, <sup>1</sup> Upland.	

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Paul Van Devoort, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	John A. Ehrhardt, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
R. H. Wilbur, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Thomas J. Majors, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
James W. Savage, <sup>2</sup> 1879-80.	John E. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
S. J. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	John Reese, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
John C. Bonnel, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	R. S. Wilcox, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
Henry E. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	C. F. Steele, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
A. V. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1885 (see California and Nevada).	Lee Estelle, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
John M. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Harmon Bross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
H. C. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	John Lett, York, 1905.
W. C. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John R. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
J. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).	Thomas Creigh, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
S. H. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Eli A. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	L. D. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Joseph Teeter, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John F. Diener, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
C. J. Dilworth, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
A. H. Church, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	M. V. King, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Church Howe, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John A. Dempster, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1895 (see California and Nevada).	O. H. Durand, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
J. H. Culver, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	George C. Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
	W. H. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
	Wilson E. Majors, <sup>2</sup> 1917.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



## NEBRASKA (17)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

J. S. Hoagland, <sup>2</sup> 1918.	David Bryson, Grand Island, 1927.
J. B. Strode, <sup>2</sup> 1919.	H. V. Hoagland, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Joseph H. Presson, <sup>2</sup> 1920.	Thomas J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
W. J. Blystone, <sup>2</sup> 1921.	F. A. Damewood, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
John S. Davisson, Omaha, 1922.	L. F. Ruppel, <sup>2</sup> 1931 (died in office).
O. C. Bell, <sup>2</sup> 1923.	John H. Berger, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
S. F. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1924.	C. P. Lomax, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
E. F. Brown, <sup>3</sup> Lincoln, 1925.	I. D. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
J. O. Moore, Palmyra, 1926.	George Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
Griff J. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1879–81, transferred from Wisconsin.	

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

T. J. Bender, Fairmont, 1919.	Thomas E. Moore, Omaha, 1925.
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## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

R. C. Cutler, York, 1919.	H. C. Kiester, Albion, 1929.
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## NEW HAMPSHIRE (12)

[Organized June 30, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 34. Posts, 12]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	FRANK E. AMADON, <sup>1 3</sup> Keene.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC M. SAVAGE, Concord.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Matthew T. Betton, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Daniel B. Newhall, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
William R. Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Osman B. Warren, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Daniel J. Vaughn, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	William S. Pillsbury, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
James E. Larkin, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	Augustus D. Sanborn, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Augustus H. Bixby, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Charles W. Stevens, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
William H. Trickey, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	Albert D. Scovell, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Timothy W. Challis, <sup>2</sup> 1873–74.	Henry E. Conant, <sup>2</sup> 1911 (died in office).
Alvin S. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	William A. Beckford, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Charles J. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1876–78.	George K. Stratton, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> 1879–80.	David R. Roys, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Martin A. Haynes, <sup>2</sup> 1881–82.	O. B. Douglass, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> 1883–84.	M. B. Plummer, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Marcus M. Collis, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Reuben T. Leavitt, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
George Farr, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Charles W. Hobbs, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Otis C. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Eugene Wason, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
A. B. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Frank W. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
James F. Grimes, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	James H. Hunt, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Thomas Cogswell, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Arthur Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Everett B. Huse, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. N. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Daniel Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	J. C. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Frank G. Noyes, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	William Blair, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
David R. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	J. R. Squires, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Charles E. Buzzell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Albert J. Barr, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Lewis W. Aldrich, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Eben C. Chase, Hooksett, 1927.
James Minot, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Joseph Willis, Woodsville, 1928.
A. S. Twitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	O. P. Murdick, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Horace L. Worcester, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Wm. H. Fish, <sup>1</sup> Mt. Vernon, 1930.
D. E. Proctor, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Henry S. Paul, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
A. C. Haines, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Charles H. Estes, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
William S. Carter, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Wm. J. M. Blackman, Pelham, 1933.
Edwin E. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	George I. Horne, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
Henry O. Kent, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	James R. Ashton, <sup>2</sup> 1935 (died in office).

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

## NEW JERSEY (8)

[Organized Dec. 10, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 68. Posts, 17]

*Department commander*----- Wm. H. McCoy,<sup>1</sup> Trenton.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- BERNARD MURPHY, Jersey City.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JOHN C. ALLEN, Atlantic City.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- WALTER S. TULLY, Eatontown.

## REPRESENTATIVES

Abraham Ryerson,<sup>1</sup> Lincoln Park. | Peter Van Kirk, Princeton.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

E. Jardine, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	James M. Atwood, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
William Ward, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	Charles Currie, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
Richard H. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	Alfred Atkins, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
John R. Goble, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Arthur W. Tench, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Charles Burrows, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	John Foran, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
E. W. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	James F. Connelly, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
John Muller, <sup>2</sup> 1877-78.	James Inglis, Jr., <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Samuel Hufty, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Adrian S. Appleget, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
George W. Gile, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Terrance J. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Charles H. Houghton, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	John W. Bodine, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
E. L. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Forman J. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).
George Fielder, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Samuel G. Garretson, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Henry M. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> 1884-85.	William F. Washington, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Frank O. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William O. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. L. Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Walter S. Tully, <sup>8</sup> Eatontown, 1917.
E. Burd Grubb, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	George E. Boyd, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
W. E. B. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. J. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).
A. M. Matthews, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Frank Briden, Sr., <sup>2</sup> 1919.
James R. Mullikin, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John T. McNeil, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
R. A. Donnelly, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Isaac Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
H. L. Hartshorn, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	James A. Rikeman, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
John Shields, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	P. J. Lydecker, <sup>2</sup> 1923-24.
Henry S. White, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Leonard L. Roray, Glassboro, 1925.
Ernest C. Stahl, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Joseph A. Goodrich, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Emanuel Sands, <sup>2</sup> 1897 (died in office).	Augustus Van Giesen, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Samuel G. Hayter, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Charles Hopper, Verona, 1928.
William C. Smith, Plainfield, 1898.	Spencer Smith, <sup>1</sup> Nyack, N. Y., 1929.
George Barrett, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John H. Conger, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
E. V. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Wm. A. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
J. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Wm. H. Bilbee, <sup>1,3</sup> Trenton, 1932-34.
Enos F. Hann, Atlantic City, 1902.	
Stephen M. Long, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

A. C. Gile, Cape May, 1917. | Louis Cyester, Neptune, 1933-1934.  
 Wm. K. Storms, Red Bank, 1932.

## NEW YORK (5)

[Organized Apr. 3, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 498. Posts, 124]

*Department commander*----- R. M. ROWND,<sup>1</sup> Ripley, N. Y.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- GEORGE C. ELDREDGE,<sup>1</sup> Dumont, N. J.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- GEORGE H. HOWARD,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- JOHN MAXWELL,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



## NEW YORK (5)—Continued

## REPRESENTATIVES

Thomas Barker,<sup>1</sup> Bellmore, L. I.  
 J. C. Kent,<sup>1</sup> E. Aurora.  
 Fred A. Mathews, Horseheads.  
 J. B. Buffum, E. Aurora.  
 A. J. Barlow,<sup>1</sup> Oneonta.  
 George E. Reynolds, Canajoharie.  
 Wm. A. Ritter, South Haven, Mich.  
 John W. Hays, Brookview.  
 Wm. H. Stewart, Auburn.  
 Robert G. Summers,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 Samuel L. Willard,<sup>1</sup> Jamestown.

## ALTERNATIVES

Henry Grawbarger, Fairport.  
 James A. Hard, Rochester.  
 Henry M. Jeffery,<sup>1</sup> Syracuse.  
 A. F. Beebe, Evans Mills.  
 M. P. Burney, Little Falls.  
 Orlando Nichols, Yonkers.  
 James Lunnin, Chatham Center.  
 John B. Laque,<sup>1</sup> Schenectady.  
 Milton Harwood,<sup>1</sup> Syracuse.  
 Irving Eaton,<sup>1</sup> Schenectady.  
 Albert Morgan,<sup>1</sup> New York.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James B. McKean,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 Daniel E. Sickles,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 Edwin B. Lansing,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 John C. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Henry A. Barnum,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 Stephen P. Corliss,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 Edward Jardine,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 John Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James Tanner,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 William F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James McQuade,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 L. Coe Young,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Abram Merritt,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James S. Fraser,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 John A. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Ira M. Hedges,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. Clay Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Joseph I. Sayles,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George H. Treadwell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 N. Martin Curtis,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Harrison Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Floyd Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles H. Freeman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Theodore L. Poole,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Joseph P. Cleary,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John C. Shotts,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Edward J. Atkinson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 James S. Graham,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Albert D. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Anson S. Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Joseph W. Kay,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 N. P. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles A. Orr,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Allan C. Bakewell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 John S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Henry N. Burhans,<sup>2</sup> 1904.

James N. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John S. Maxwell,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Harlan J. Swift,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William H. Daniels,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 M. J. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 DeWitt C. Hurd,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 George B. Loud,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Oscar Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Samuel C. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 James D. Bell,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Zan L. Tidbal,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Solomon W. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 William F. Kirchner,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Lewis S. Pilcher,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Joseph E. Ewell,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Alfred E. Stacey,<sup>1 20</sup> Elbridge, 1920.  
 Isadore Isaacs,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 Calvin A. Brainard,<sup>1 21</sup> Jackson, Mich.  
 1922.  
 Thomas J. McConekey,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Henry L. Keene,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 Duncan J. McMillan, New York, 1925.  
 John Van Duyn,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 George W. Flynn,<sup>2</sup> 1927 (died in office).  
 William M. Chatham,<sup>2</sup> 1928 (died in office).  
 Henry Lilly, Coldwater, 1928.  
 William P. Griffith, Brooklyn, 1928.  
 Martin V. Stone,<sup>1 8</sup> Jamestown, 1929.  
 George H. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 Calvin L. Vincent,<sup>1</sup> Elmira, 1931.  
 Henry J. Kearney,<sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).  
 Frank E. Cooley, Rensselaer, 1933.  
 John Maxwell,<sup>1 8</sup> Buffalo, 1933.  
 Josiah C. Read, New York, 1934.

De Alva S. Alexander,<sup>2</sup> 1884, transferred from Potomac.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.  
 A. E. Sholes,<sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.  
 David R. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1906, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from Oklahoma (see California and Nevada).

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

H. Stewart Warner, Skaneateles, 1918. | Nelson E. Rowe, Binghamton, 1929.  
 Thomas H. Stritch,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, 1926. | John C. Mullins,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, 1931.  
 Charles T. Peck,<sup>1</sup> Rochester, 1928. | Joseph Bauer,<sup>1</sup> Rochester, 1934.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>20</sup> Commander in chief.<sup>21</sup> Adjutant general.

NEW YORK (5)—Continued

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Ringgold W. Carman, Flushing, 1922.	Jacob Lester, Port Dickinson, 1931.
Edward M. Griffiths, <sup>1</sup> New York, 1929.	Joseph Benzino, <sup>1</sup> Buffalo, 1932.

NORTH DAKOTA (43)

[Organized Apr. 23, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 11. Posts, 4]

Department commander-----	J. W. CARROLL, Lisbon.
Senior vice department commander-----	THOMAS SHEARD, <sup>1 3</sup> Cathay.
Junior vice department commander-----	
Assistant adjutant general-----	D G. DUELL, <sup>1</sup> Devils Lake.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Harrison Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George W. Kurtz, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
George B. Winship, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	G. B. Vallandigham, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
William A. Bentley, <sup>2</sup> 1891 (see California and Nevada).	Alexander Hay, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Samuel G. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John L. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
John D. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Henry Beal, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
James M. O'Neale, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Christian Schmidt, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
A. P. Rounseville, <sup>2</sup> 1895 (see Florida).	J. W. Carroll, <sup>10</sup> Lisbon, 1918.
William H. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	James McCormick, Devils Lake, 1919.
Edward C. Geary, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	David B. McClain, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).
Edwin Southard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Orange A. Potter, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
William Ackerman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Charles P. Stearns, Valley City, 1921.
Freeman Orcutt, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Smith Stimmel, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
D. G. Duell, <sup>1 8</sup> Devils Lake, 1901.	H. F. Dinsmore, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
John C. Gipson, <sup>2</sup> 1902 (see Oklahoma).	T. C. Conklin, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
H. J. Rowe, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	George Hawks, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
D. F. Siegfried, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	John A. Searight, Denbigh, 1926.
Joseph Hare, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Charles Cotter, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
B. F. Bigelow, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	R. M. Donnelly, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Sylvester J. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	R. D. Bagley, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
J. L. Richmond, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	C. H. Palmer, <sup>1</sup> Fargo, 1930.
Halsey Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	A. W. Parmenter, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Albert Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	M. Skarison, Velva, 1932.
James H. Matthews, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	J. W. Carroll, <sup>10</sup> Lisbon, 1933-34.

OHIO (4)

[Organized Jan. 30, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 420. Posts, 111]

Department commander-----	HENRY F. RUSSELL, <sup>1</sup> Alliance.
Senior vice department commander-----	F. S. LAYTON, <sup>1</sup> Marion.
Junior vice commander-----	F. S. MORRIS, <sup>1</sup> Chardon.
Assistant adjutant general-----	S. F. BELL, <sup>1</sup> Mansfield.

REPRESENTATIVES

Byron W. Joslin,<sup>1</sup> Sydney.  
Joseph T. Anderson, Cincinnati.  
George W. Winger, Springfield.  
John Feigley, Lancaster.  
Joseph Mills, Galion.  
Theodore Wells,<sup>1</sup> Cadiz.  
Thomas Ridenour,<sup>1</sup> Dupont.  
R. C. Miller, Cleveland.  
L. K. Hurford, Canton.

ALTERNATES

Theodore H. Biles,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
J. L. Pickering, Athens.  
R. B. Reese, Deshler.  
W. R. Austin, Cleveland.  
George W. Burley,<sup>1</sup> Toledo.  
George W. Funk,<sup>1</sup> New Lexington.  
Sol Zarbaugh,<sup>1</sup> Toledo.  
W. D. Christman,<sup>1</sup> Gloucester.  
Chas. Sherbondy,<sup>1</sup> Akron.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>10</sup> Department commander.



OHIO (4)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Potts, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	Arthur C. Yengling, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Thomas L. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	B. M. Moulton, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>2</sup> 1868–70.	Amos Huffman, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
William C. Bunts, <sup>2</sup> 1871–72.	George A. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
G. M. Barber, <sup>2</sup> 1873–74.	W. S. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Alvin C. Voris, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	John H. Sharer, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1876–77.	George Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Nathan L. Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1878 (died in office).	Charles H. Newton, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
James H. Seymour, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Henry A. Axline, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
James H. Steadman, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	J. F. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
David W. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Charles W. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	W. R. Warnock, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Charles T. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1882–83.	J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
H. P. Lloyd, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Seeley P. Mount, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
R. B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	W. H. Surles, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Arthur L. Conger, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	W. A. Pittenger, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
D. C. Putnam, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	D. M. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Joseph W. O'Neill, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	H. C. Martindale, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
S. H. Hurst, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John M. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
P. H. Downing, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	M. J. Sloan, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
A. M. Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Isaac F. Mack, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Daniel S. Wilder, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
L. H. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Edmund Burdsall, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
E. E. Nutt, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John Ambler, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Charles Townsend, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Levi H. Derby, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
E. L. Lybarger, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Jacob Secrest, <sup>1 17</sup> Cincinnati, 1927.
Henry Kissinger, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John McClay, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
David F. Pugh, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Salonas A. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Thomas R. Shinn, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. A. Talbott, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Ayres B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Emmet F. Taggart, <sup>1 3</sup> Akron, 1901.	S. F. Bell, <sup>1 8</sup> Mansfield, 1932.
Walton Weber, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	O. A. Marvin, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
	Charles J. McDargh, Urbana, 1934.
Joseph O. Gregg, <sup>2</sup> 1892, transferred from Montana.	
Frank M. Sterrett, <sup>2</sup> 1903, transferred from Missouri.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

M. O. Messer, Warren, 1924.	Simeon Chapman, Sunbury, 1934.
George D. Neal, Mount Vernon, 1925.	

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

L. P. Rife, Defiance, 1921.	W. H. Little, <sup>1</sup> Canton, 1928.
J. T. Romig, New Philadelphia, 1923 ; 1930.	M. C. Boice, Cheshire, 1932.
	F. S. Layton, <sup>1</sup> Marion, 1934.

OKLAHOMA (44)

[Organized Aug. 7, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 36. Posts, 5. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at joint encampment held at Guthrie, May 19–22, 1908]

Department commander-----	N. D. McGINLEY, Oklahoma City.
Senior vice department commander-----	D. C. BOTHEL, El Reno.
Junior vice department commander-----	T. W. HARRISON, Enid.
Assistant adjutant general-----	L. C. COFFIN, Elgin.

REPRESENTATIVES

William Webb, Alva.  
William Waldo, Blackwell.

ALTERNATES

C. C. Le Master, Anadarko.  
G. I. Gordon, Oklahoma City.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>17</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.



OKLAHOMA (44)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. M. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	L. C. Coffin, <sup>8</sup> Elgin, 1913.
G. M. Coulton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	George W. Billings, <sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).
D. F. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	George W. Fletcher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	A. A. Beasler, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
J. P. Cummings, <sup>2</sup> 1894 (see California and Nevada).	Albert Reeves, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
H. G. Trosper, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	J. C. White, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
W. H. Cater, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	F. E. Hills, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
C. R. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	F. M. Cline, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
G. D. Munger, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	W. S. Tilton, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (see California and Nevada).
J. J. S. Hassler, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Jacob Amberg, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
I. W. Rush, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. F. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
M. L. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	J. J. Lyons, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
James E. Burns, <sup>2</sup> 1901 (see California and Nevada).	J. W. Garner, Perkins, 1924.
Wesley Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	J. H. Norton, <sup>2</sup> 1925 (died in office).
Cyrus P. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	J. H. Luman, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
S. P. Strahan, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	N. D. McGinley, <sup>4</sup> Oklahoma City, 1926.
G. M. Parks, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	W. T. Deupree, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Peter A. Becker, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	R. L. Johnson, <sup>3</sup> Tonkawa, 1928.
W. H. Hornaday, <sup>2</sup> 1907 (see California and Nevada).	A. W. Lee, Pawnee, 1929.
H. Veatch, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	J. W. Bridges, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
William Higgins, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	A. C. Sims, Oklahoma City, 1931.
B. N. Turk, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	L. C. Coffin, <sup>8</sup> Elgin, 1932.
Wilberforce Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	A. C. Sims, <sup>23</sup> Oklahoma City, 1933.
W. R. Kelley, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	J. W. Garner, <sup>22</sup> Perkins, 1934.

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E. Calkins, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Gideon S. White, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
B. F. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John S. Hammer, <sup>2</sup> 1900-02.
J. H. Spann, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. A. Rose, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Savelon Boyles, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Robert Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
J. L. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
William H. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. F. Ayers, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
R. M. J. Shriver, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. G. Krutchmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
David Redfield, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	
D. W. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Kansas.	
John C. Gipson, <sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from North Dakota (see California and Nevada).	

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

J. W. Zimmerman, Blackwell, 1934

OREGON (26)

[Organized Sept. 28, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 168. Posts, 18]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	H. V. GATES, Hillsboro.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	J. W. RIDGE, Portland.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	GEORGE KNIERIEM, Portland.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	P. F. McLAIN, <sup>1</sup> Portland.

REPRESENTATIVES

Z. T. Bryant,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon.  
P. H. Jefferies,<sup>1</sup> Eugene.  
Joseph Powers, Newberg.  
Dan Daffron, Forest Grove.

ALTERNATES

H. H. Topel, Portland.  
A. Nish, The Dalles.  
J. K. Hart, Canby.  
H. A. Collins, Portland.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>22</sup> Department commander, 1924.  
<sup>23</sup> Department commander, 1931.

## OREGON (26)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

N. S. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 G. E. Caulkin,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 F. J. Babcock,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 F. H. Lamb,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 M. L. Olmstead,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. E. Borthwick,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 E. B. McElroy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 James A. Varney,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Owen Summers,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 H. H. Northup,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 J. C. Cooper, McMinnville, 1893.  
 S. B. Ormsby,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 E. W. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 D. C. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Frank Reisner,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 C. P. Holloway,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 H. V. Gates,<sup>4</sup> Hillsboro, 1899.  
 A. J. Goodbrod,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 J. A. Sladen,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 M. L. Pratt,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 David H. Turner,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 B. F. Pike,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 T. E. Hills, Portland, 1905.  
 Hamer Sutcliffe,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 S. F. Blythe,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 J. T. Apperson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James P. Shaw, Portland, 1909.

W. J. R. Beach,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Newton Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas B. McDevitt,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 S. W. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 H. S. Fargo,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 George A. Harding,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Joseph E. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 J. G. Chambers,<sup>17</sup> Portland, 1917.  
 Tillman H. Stevens,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Daniel Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 J. T. Butler,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 C. A. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 D. L. McKay,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 George R. Castner,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Henry E. Dosch,<sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).  
 J. L. Crow,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 J. F. Nelson,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 William Clemens,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 H. S. Lillagar,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 William Clemens,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 L. C. Washburn,<sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).  
 Charles True,<sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).  
 Gideon Stolz, Salem, 1929.  
 Wm. M. Colvig, Medford, 1930.  
 Charles M. Eichler, Eugene, 1931.  
 J. W. Jones, Portland, 1932.  
 H. V. Gates,<sup>4</sup> Hillsboro, 1933-1934.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Henry Hopkins,<sup>3</sup> Newberg, 1933

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Royal J. Taylor, Portland, 1927.

W. T. Small, Corvallis, 1932.

## PENNSYLVANIA (3)

[Organized Jan. 16, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 786. Posts, 66]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	GEORGE W. GILLET, <sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	JOHN SPEER, Pittsburgh.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	H. V. CARLS, Altoona.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, <sup>1 24</sup> Philadelphia.

## REPRESENTATIVES

Matthew MacDonald,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 Samuel P. Fowler, Philadelphia.  
 John Buchanan,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 C. B. Marshman, West Chester.  
 Samuel B. Hanson, Philadelphia.  
 Z. T. Kirk,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 Fred Reuber, Philadelphia.  
 Henry T. Greenwood,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 David Williams,<sup>1</sup> Phillipsburg.  
 David M. Clark,<sup>1</sup> New Castle.  
 R. M. Meconnahey, Philadelphia.  
 John W. McDonough,<sup>1</sup> Scranton.  
 Wm. T. Simpson,<sup>1</sup> Scranton.  
 J. P. Sankey,<sup>1</sup> Carnegie.  
 John Little,<sup>1</sup> Wilkinsburg.  
 R. G. Brown,<sup>1</sup> Canton.  
 J. L. Chapman,<sup>1</sup> Scranton.

## ALTERNATES

J. C. Brandon,<sup>1</sup> Latrobe.  
 Harry W. Dripps,<sup>1</sup> Latrobe.  
 M. D. Fritz,<sup>1</sup> Greenville.  
 J. P. Cauldwell,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 C. E. Morgan,<sup>1</sup> Carnegie.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

<sup>17</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

<sup>24</sup> Quartermaster general.



## PENNSYLVANIA (3)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	R. P. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
A. L. Pearson, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Edwin Walton, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
O. C. Bosbyshell, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	John McNevin, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Howard J. Reeder, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	J. Andrew Wilt, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
Frank Reeder, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	M. A. Gherst, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	William T. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
A. Wilson Norris, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	P. De Lacy, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
W. W. Tyson, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	Thad M. Mahon, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
James W. Latta, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	L. W. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Samuel I. Givin, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	N. P. Kingsley, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Charles T. Hull, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Thomas H. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
George L. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	William J. Wells, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Chill W. Hazard, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	John A. Fairman, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
John Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	C. C. Gramlich, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
John M. Vanderslice, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	L. F. Arensberg, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
E. S. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Noah Dietrich, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Frederick H. Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. D. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
F. Austin Curtin, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	George W. Rhoads, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
J. P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	C. H. Wm. Ruhe, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1920.
Samuel Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Charles C. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Frank J. Magee, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	W. F. Hambright, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. J. Shoemaker, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Joseph F. Denniston, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	H. H. Spayd, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
George G. Boyer, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	A. M. Breckinridge, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
John P. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Samuel P. Towne, <sup>1 24</sup> Philadelphia, 1926.
Thomas G. Sample, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	John B. Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
William Emsley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	George I. Rudolph, Pittsburgh, 1928.
H. H. Cumings, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Phil Engelskirger, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Alfred Darte, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Chas. W. Meconnahey, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
William D. Stauffer, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John R. Steele, Oil City, 1931.
William J. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Jabob Barron, <sup>1 3</sup> Philadelphia, 1932.
James F. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	A. T. Anderson, <sup>1</sup> Washington, 1933.
Charles Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	George W. Gillett, <sup>1 4</sup> Philadelphia, 1934.
Levi G. McCauley, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	

James E. Porter,<sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.

James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. H. Druckenmiller, Marietta, 1886.	William H. Heddens, Danville, 1918.
H. R. Breneman, Lancaster, 1904.	W. A. McKay, <sup>1</sup> Franklin, 1930.
H. E. Paine, Scranton, 1913.	John W. Williams, Etna, 1933.
John Woy, Johnston, 1917.	M. H. Boyer, Reading, 1934.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. M. Showalter, Oxford, 1907.	Benjamin L. Myers, Norristown, 1930.
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## POTOMAC (14)

[Organized Feb. 13, 1869. Membership Dec. 31, 1934, 27. Posts, 3]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	JOHN M. KLINE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> ---	WILLIAM F. DORSEY, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> ---	JOHN T. RYAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	E. D. GODFREY, Washington, D. C.

## REPRESENTATIVE

Fred W. Mixer, Washington, D. C.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

<sup>24</sup> Quartermaster general.



POTOMAC (14)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Samuel A. Duncan,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Timothy Luby,<sup>2</sup> 1870-72.  
 Frank H. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 Benjamin F. Hawkes,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 A. H. G. Richardson,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 George E. Corson,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Harrison Dingman,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Charles C. Royce,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William Gibson,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Samuel S. Burdett,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 D. S. Alexander,<sup>2</sup> 1884 (see New York).  
 Newton M. Brooks,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Jerome B. Burke,<sup>2</sup> 1886-87.  
 Charles P. Lincoln,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 William S. Odell,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 M. Emmett Urell,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 J. M. Pipes,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 A. F. Dinsmore,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 S. E. Faunce,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Nathan Bickford,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Marion T. Anderson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John McElroy,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Thomas S. Hopkins,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Arthur Hendricks,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Calvin Farnsworth,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 George H. Slaybaugh,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Israel W. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 B. F. Bingham,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 I. G. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Abram Hart,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 A. P. Tasker,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

B. P. Entrikin,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Newton Ferree, 1907.  
 John S. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Edwin H. Holbrook,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Henry A. Johnson,<sup>9</sup> Washington, 1910.  
 George C. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. D. Bloodgood,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Thomas H. McKee,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 J. K. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 L. H. Patterson,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 A. H. Huntoon,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 A. H. Frear,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 S. G. Mawson,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 H. B. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 John McElroy,<sup>2</sup> 1920-21.  
 H. L. Deam,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 John W. Reid,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Briscoe Goodhart,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 Hosea B. Moulton, Washington, 1925.  
 C. V. Petteys,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 John L. Clem,<sup>17</sup> San Antonio, Tex., 1927.  
 W. R. Robb,<sup>2</sup> 1928 (died in office).  
 Harry T. Dunbar,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 S. G. Mawson,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 Frank J. Young, Washington, 1930.  
 S. G. Mawson,<sup>2</sup> 1931.  
 William F. Dorsey,<sup>1 20</sup> Washington, 1932.  
 John H. Shepherd,<sup>2</sup> 1933.  
 John M. Kline,<sup>4</sup> Washington, 1934.

E. S. Godfrey,<sup>2</sup> transferred from Arizona.

John L. Clem,<sup>4</sup> San Antonio, Tex., transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.

RHODE ISLAND (11)

[Organized Mar. 24, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 44. Posts, 14]

*Department commander*----- MARTIN S. SMITH,<sup>1</sup> North Scituate.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- JAMES A. ABBOTT, Providence.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- CHARLES H. BOWDEN, Barrington.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- CHARLES H. LEONARD, Providence.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Ambrose E. Burnside,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Horatio Rogers, 1869.  
 Charles R. Brayton,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Elisha M. Rhodes,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Edwin Metcalf,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 Edwin C. Pomroy,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Charles H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 Henry J. Spooner,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Fred A. Arnold,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Henry R. Barker,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Charles C. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William H. P. Steers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Henry F. Jenks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Philip S. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1883.

Andrew J. McMahon,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Eugene A. Cory,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Theodore A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Benjamin L. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Gideon Spencer,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Alonzo Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Benjamin F. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Benjamin H. Child,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 David S. Ray,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 George T. Cranston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles H. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Daniel R. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 William E. Stone, 1896.  
 Livingston Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1897.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

<sup>9</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>17</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

<sup>20</sup> Senior vice department commander.

## RHODE ISLAND (11)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

Samuel W. K. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Charles O. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Walter A. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles P. Moise,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 George H. Cheney,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 James S. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Joseph Wooley,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Ezra K. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George L. Greene,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Edward Wilcox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William O. Milne,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Francello G. Jillson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Charles H. Ewer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Ezra Dixon, Bristol, 1911.  
 Thomas M. Holden,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 George H. Cheek,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Gilbert Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Henry J. Pickersgill,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Joseph Gough,<sup>2</sup> 1916.

Augustine A. Mann,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Murdock C. McKenzie,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Fred A. Burt,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 William Massie,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 Fred S. Oatley, Norwood, 1921.  
 Samuel A. Wheldon,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 Zophar Skinner,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 George R. Saunders,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 William F. Comrie,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 Robert M. Pollard,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 Christopher M. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1927-28  
 (died in office).  
 William Dunham, Edgewood, 1928.  
 Charles H. Lewis,<sup>9</sup> Pawtucket, 1929-30.  
 Charles H. Bullock,<sup>3</sup> East Providence,  
 1931.  
 Henry A. Knox,<sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).  
 James A. Alger, Providence, 1933.  
 Fred S. Oatley,<sup>26</sup> Norwood, 1934.

## SOUTH DAKOTA (29)

[Organized Mar. 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 46. Posts, 14]

*Department commander*----- W. A. DRAKE,<sup>1</sup> Madison.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- W. H. CORNELL,<sup>3</sup> Brookings.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- STEPHEN JACKSON, Hot Springs.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- WILLIAM DOWNS, Madison.

## REPRESENTATIVES

O. E. Andrews, Mitchell.  
 John Norton, Madison.

## ALTERNATE

Levi Van Voorhis,<sup>1</sup> Huron.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Thomas S. Free,<sup>2</sup> 1883-84.  
 W. V. Lucas, 1885-86 (see California  
 and Nevada).  
 Harrison Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 S. F. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1888 (see Minnesota).  
 George A. Silsby,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 E. T. Langley,<sup>2</sup> 1890 (see California  
 and Nevada).  
 C. S. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1891 (see Vermont).  
 J. B. Hoit,<sup>2</sup> 1892 (see Minnesota).  
 N. C. Nash,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 George W. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 S. R. Drake,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John Ackley,<sup>2</sup> 1896 (died in office).  
 J. F. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 C. B. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 E. P. Farr,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899 (see New York).  
 Philip Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1900 (see California  
 and Nevada).  
 George W. Snow,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard,<sup>2</sup> 1902 (see Cali-  
 fornia and Nevada).

Thomas Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 H. P. Packard,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 J. B. Wolgemuth,<sup>2</sup> 1905 (see Montana).  
 N. I. Lowthian,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 T. C. DeJean,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Warren G. Osborn,<sup>1</sup> Zephyrhills, Fla.,  
 1908.  
 Alex S. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 N. H. Kingman, Eugene, Oreg., 1910.  
 Thomas H. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 O. S. Gifford,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 H. L. Ferry,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John L. Jolley,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 C. A. B. Fox,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 C. S. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Walter H. Carr,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 J. C. Luce,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 James S. Sebree,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 A. L. Van Osdel, Mission Hill, 1919.  
 E. L. Hurlburt, Rapid City, 1920.  
 John E. Davis, Lennox, 1921.  
 A. L. Van Osdel,<sup>28</sup> Mission Hill, 1922.  
 H. P. Carson,<sup>2</sup> 1923.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

<sup>9</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>26</sup> Department commander, 1921.

<sup>28</sup> Department commander, 1919



SOUTH DAKOTA (29)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

H. P. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1924.	W. A. Drake, <sup>4</sup> Madison, 1929.
W. H. Cornell, <sup>3</sup> Brookings, 1925.	E. L. Hurlburt, <sup>27</sup> Rapid City, 1930-31.
R. T. Sedam, <sup>2</sup> 1926.	F. Burke O'Brien, Pierre, 1932.
G. W. Dewey, <sup>2</sup> 1927.	W. A. Drake, <sup>4</sup> Madison, 1933-34.
H. C. Smith, Kimball, 1928.	

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Wm. Downs, <sup>8</sup> Madison, 1928.	H. W. Smith, Sioux Falls, 1930, 1932.
W. A. Thompson, Huron, 1929.	

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. O. Foote, Sioux Falls, 1928.	Stephen Jackson, Hot Springs, 1933.
Leroy Kinney, Yankton, 1930-31.	

TENNESSEE (34)

[Organized Feb. 26, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 15. Posts, 3]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	F. M. UNDERWOOD, <sup>1 3</sup> Knoxville.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	J. M. CHILDRESS, Knoxville.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	S. M. BILLINGSLY, Knoxville.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	B. F. BASHOR, Knoxville.

REPRESENTATIVE

Reuben Sellers, Johnson City.

ALTERNATE

Carter Aden, Henry.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Edward S. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1884-85.	C. H. Flournoy, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
E. E. Winters, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	A. M. Gamble, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
William J. Ramage, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	W. D. Atchley, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Wm. Rule, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	D. D. Nicholas, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
A. H. Pettibone, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	F. M. Underwood, <sup>3</sup> Knoxville, 1915.
Chas. F. Muller, <sup>6</sup> 1890.	J. R. Kennedy, Louisville, 1916.
A. J. Gahagan, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	O. C. Kinley, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
H. C. Whittaker, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	W. F. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	F. M. Fessenden, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
W. F. Milburn, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	O. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
W. J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. W. Lowry, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
H. B. Case, <sup>2</sup> 1896-97.	P. W. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
W. H. Nelson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	John H. Simpson, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
A. H. Crumbliss, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John Farmer, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
S. T. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	M. F. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
M. M. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
G. W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1902-03.	P. M. Keeble, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Ben A. Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	J. G. Hoback, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
W. W. French, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	C. G. Matthews, Nashville, 1929.
John T. Wilder, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Harmon Kries, Knoxville, 1930.
Will A. McTeer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	B. J. Meadows, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
S. W. Tindell, Johnson City, 1908.	Abner Read, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
D. Minor Steward, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	J. M. Childress, <sup>29</sup> Knoxville, 1933.
Ignaz Fanz, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

H. C. Everett, Fountain City, 1932

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Department commander.

<sup>6</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>27</sup> Department commander, 1920.

<sup>29</sup> Senior vice department commander.



TEXAS (38)

[Organized Mar. 25, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 12. Posts, 3]

Department commander----- JOHN SHEARER,<sup>1 3</sup> Mont Belvieu.  
Senior vice department commander----- GEORGE W. LOOMIS, Dallas.  
Junior vice department commander----- T. W. WOODCOCK, Amarillo.  
Assistant adjutant general----- J. W. ELLIS, Houston.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. D. Wylie, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	T. M. Wingate, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
O. T. Lyon, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Calvin R. Hubbard, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
W. H. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. S. Dunlap, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
J. C. De Gress, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	W. S. Kretsinger, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
A. G. Malloy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	E. P. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
A. K. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Sidney Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
M. W. Mann, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Robert McCormick, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
O. G. Peterson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	C. S. Brodbent, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
J. W. Parks, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	C. A. Cahoon, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
R. M. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	M. B. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
W. W. Bostwick, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Anson Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
G. W. McCormick, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Edward Loomis, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Ed. N. Ketchum, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Max Hart, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	G. E. Allgaier, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
John Roach, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	R. P. Cooper, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Charles B. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. H. Blake, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
P. B. Hunt, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John Buchanan, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
C. C. Haskell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	John Shearer, <sup>1 3</sup> Houston, 1925.
John H. Bolton, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	D. L. Wagner, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
John L. Boyd, Dallas, 1904.	L. D. Daggett, San Antonio, 1927.
E. A. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	F. J. Yingling, Dallas, 1928.
H. W. Harvey, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	A. W. Robbins, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
L. L. Whitaker, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	John Shearer, <sup>1 3</sup> Houston, 1930-34.

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. McWhirter, Fort Worth, 1930. | W. A. McKinison, Denison, 1931.

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Z. T. Sisson, Houston, 1928

UTAH (33)

[Organized Oct. 8, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 15. Posts, 4]

Department commander----- IRA STORMES,<sup>1</sup> Salt Lake City.  
Senior vice department commander.. JOHN W. WIDDOES, American Fork.  
Junior vice department commander-- R. L. ROHM, Myton.  
Assistant adjutant general----- THOMAS W. BROOKBANK, Salt Lake City.

REPRESENTATIVE

J. H. Van Horn, Norfolk, Nebr.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George C. Douglas, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Henry Page, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
Ransford Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Frank Hoffman, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
H. C. Wardleigh, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	James R. Elliott, <sup>2</sup> 1892.
Elijah Sells, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	J. W. Greenman, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
Eli H. Murray, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	T. C. Iliff, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
Nathan H. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	C. O. Farnsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
Henry T. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	M. M. Kellogg, <sup>2</sup> 1896.

<sup>1</sup> Present.                      <sup>2</sup> Deceased.                      <sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

## UTAH ((33)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

T. C. Bailey, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. B. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
N. H. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	J. W. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).
M. M. Kaighn, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Frank H. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
M. A. Breeden, 1900 (see California and Nevada).	Reuben Oehler, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Rudolph Alf, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	N. A. Heath, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
W. M. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> 1902 (see California and Nevada).	H. G. Rollins, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
F. W. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	N. D. Corser, <sup>2</sup> 1916-17.
Henry P. Burns, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	J. C. A. Warfield, Los Angeles, Calif., 1918.
E. T. Hulaniski, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	C. W. A. Schnell, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
B. M. Sperry, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Ezra D. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> 1920-21.
Alfred Kent, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	A. Van Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
R. G. Sleater, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	W. L. Goodsell, <sup>2</sup> 1923-25.
Lucian H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	L. L. Hudson, <sup>2</sup> 1926-27.
T. C. Lundy, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	W. R. Smethers, Ogden, 1928.
	Elias Price, <sup>3</sup> Salt Lake City, 1929-34.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

George Deitz, Ogden, 1924

## VERMONT (13)

[Organized Dec. 23, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 14. Posts, 3]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	HARVEY S. POWERS, Lyndonville.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	PETER LANDER, Burlington.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	HOMER CASWELL, Johnson.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. HOLDEN, Northfield.

## REPRESENTATIVE

John E. Rollins, Windsor

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George P. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	F. G. Butterfield, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
W. W. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	U. A. Woodbury, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
W. G. Veasey, <sup>2</sup> 1872-73.	J. H. Lucia, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
Stephen Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	R. E. Hathorn, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
J. H. Goulding, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	Frank Kenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
G. W. Hooker, 1880-81.	J. E. Eldredge, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
A. B. Valentine, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	S. H. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1905 (see Florida).
C. C. Kinsman, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. A. Sheldon, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
W. L. Greenleaf, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	A. C. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
G. T. Childs, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	C. E. Beach, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (see Florida).
P. D. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	A. B. Franklin, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
H. E. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	E. J. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
A. S. Tracy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	C. M. Ferrin, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Z. M. Mansur, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. A. Niles, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
D. L. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Thomas Hannon, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
H. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Edward Baker, Montpelier, 1914.
G. W. Doty, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	George P. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
C. F. Branch, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	H. C. Streeter, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
B. Cannon, Jr., <sup>2</sup> 1895.	C. T. S. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1917-18.
N. M. Puffer, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. T. Woodward, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
E. W. Jewett, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	L. W. Bush, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
L. B. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	John R. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1921.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.



VERMONT (13)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

Charles H. Cota, <sup>2</sup> 1922.	J. H. Amadon, <sup>1 3</sup> Waterville, 1929.
C. H. Granger, <sup>2</sup> 1923.	W. W. Holden, <sup>8</sup> Northfield, 1930.
C. H. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1924.	W. T. Reed, St. Johnsbury, 1931.
W. W. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1925.	Charles Heyer, St. Johnsbury, 1932.
A. C. Stoughton, <sup>2</sup> 1926.	J. H. Amadon, <sup>1 3</sup> Waterville, 1933.
L. P. Butts, <sup>2</sup> 1927.	Harvey S. Powers, <sup>4</sup> Lyndonville, 1934.
W. H. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1928.	
C. S. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. A. Emerson, <sup>1</sup> Lancaster, 1932.	George Bridges, Morrisville, 1934.
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VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA (15)

[Organized Dec. 23, 1871. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 7. Posts, 3]

Department commander-----	CORNELIUS GARNER, Norfolk.
Senior vice department commander-----	ARMSTEAD JOHNSON, Norfolk.
Junior vice department commander-----	THOMAS SPRATT, Norfolk.
Assistant adjutant general-----	ISAAC NICHOLS, Norfolk.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William W. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	H. W. Weiss, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
William H. Appenzeller, <sup>2</sup> 1875-76.	James W. Stebbins, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
William Ryder, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	James M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Pennsylvania).
R. G. Staples, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	John W. Rutter, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
Richard Bond, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	A. B. Heistand, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
A. B. Hurlburt, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Peter Morton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
W. Hervey King, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	C. D. Grew, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
P. T. Woodfin, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	H. M. Haas, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
B. C. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. C. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
H. De B. Clay, <sup>2</sup> 1885-86.	Isaac Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
John W. Woodman, <sup>2</sup> 1887-88.	D. R. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1906 (see New York).
R. P. Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. A. Hager, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
N. J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Thomas Fogarty, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
H. D. Nichols, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Frank M. Work, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Edgar Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Charles H. Haber, <sup>2</sup> 1910-1927 (died in office).
W. Whitcomb, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Charles Grandy, <sup>1 3</sup> Norfolk, 1927-33.
J. G. Fulton, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	
James E. Porter, <sup>2</sup> 1895 (see Pennsylvania).	

WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30)

[Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 132. Posts, 24]

Department commander-----	D. L. CROSSEN, <sup>1</sup> Tacoma.
Senior vice department commander-----	L. A. WILCOX, <sup>1</sup> Tacoma.
Junior vice department commander-----	GEORGE W. STAFFORD, Vancouver.
Assistant adjutant general-----	RUSTAN O. REED, Seattle.

REPRESENTATIVES

C. W. Corwin, <sup>1</sup> Spokane.	J. W. Tompkins, <sup>1</sup> Olympia.
J. H. Minor, <sup>1</sup> Everett.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Department commander.  
<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

F. W. Sparling, provisional, <sup>2</sup> 1878–82.	W. H. Wiscombe, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (see California and Nevada).
George D. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	F. H. Hurd, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
H. A. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	R. R. Harding, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
A. M. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	J. E. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
C. M. Holton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	H. R. Gale, Seattle, 1914.
A. P. Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	H. W. North, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
J. W. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	J. E. Gandy, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
S. C. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John J. See, <sup>2</sup> 1917 (see California and Nevada).
M. M. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	S. F. Street, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
D. G. Lovell, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	A. A. Stevens, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
J. Sox Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	O. D. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (see California and Nevada).
J. F. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. H. Coffman, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
J. N. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Enoch Sears, Spokane, 1922.
Norman Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. P. Cragin, <sup>2</sup> 1923 (died in office).
C. T. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	John A. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
J. F. McLean, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. P. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
George W. Tibbetts, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	William J. Baker, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
J. W. Langley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. H. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
B. R. Freeman, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Byron Phelps, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
H. A. Bigelow, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Henry P. Burdick, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
B. C. Bedell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Willis Richardson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
T. H. Cavanaugh, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. W. Work, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
F. M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1904 (see California and Nevada).	R. W. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
J. T. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	T. F. Coley, <sup>1 3</sup> Seattle, 1932.
C. B. Dunning, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	R. O. Reed, <sup>8</sup> Seattle, 1933–1934.
W. H. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	
George H. Boardman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	
Lyman Banks, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	
John E. Phelps, <sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Missouri.	
E. A. Shores, <sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.	

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. E. Bartholmew, Spokane, 1930.	S. B. Tift, Everett, 1933.
Geo. E. Paine, Bellingham, 1931.	

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George Avery, Spokane, 1928.	George Wick, Dayton, 1929.
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WEST VIRGINIA (28)

[Organized Apr. 9, 1868; reorganized Feb. 29, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 50. Posts, 8]

Department commander-----	WILLIAM M. SMITH, <sup>1</sup> Shadyside, Ohio.
Senior vice department commander----	WILLIAM SATOW, <sup>1</sup> Parkersburg, W. Va.
Junior vice department commander----	L. D. ULLOM, <sup>1</sup> Bellaire, Ohio.
Assistant adjutant general-----	THOMAS CARDER, <sup>1 3</sup> Parkersburg, W. Va.

REPRESENTATIVES

P. B. McLain,<sup>1</sup> Parkersburg.  
Isaac Johnston,<sup>1</sup> Smithfield.

ALTERNATES

Joshua Jones, Berea.  
Jonah Bayles, Morgantown.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

WEST VIRGINIA (28)—Continued

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. H. Flick, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	D. Mayer, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
C. B. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. L. Caldwell, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
John Carlin, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Thomas V. Salisbury, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
G. W. Taggart, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	E. A. Billingslea, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Lee Haymond, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	John M. Millan, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
R. E. Fleming, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	T. G. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
S. S. Hazen, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	C. T. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
George Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	James T. Piggott, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
I. H. Duval, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	S. R. Hanen, Moundsville, 1917.
Charles E. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	W. T. Cox, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Anthony Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	L. B. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
F. H. Crago, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	W. S. Grafton, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
R. E. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	H. S. White, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
R. H. Freer, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	W. S. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Thomas A. Maulsby, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	T. S. Bonar, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Richard Robertson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	W. W. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Charles R. LeValley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Smith Risinger, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Arnold Brandley, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	William Keely, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
M. B. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	P. Dunsmoor, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
C. C. Mathews, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	W. W. Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Alex C. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	J. T. McCombs, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
O. H. Michaelson, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Thomas Carder, <sup>1 3</sup> Parkersburg, 1930.
J. W. Shroyer, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	S. W. Coffee, <sup>2</sup> 1931-32.
Thomas M. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	William H. Morris, <sup>2</sup> 1933 (died in office).
I. M. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Joseph M. Smith, Wheeling, 1933-34.
Thomas H. Marks, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	

WISCONSIN (2)

[Organized June 7, 1866. Membership, Dec. 31, 1934, 182. Posts, 83]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	CHARLES M. HAMBRIGHT, <sup>1</sup> Milwaukee.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	CHARLES H. DAVIS, Oshkosh.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	LLOYD BRECK, Merrill.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY HELD, <sup>1</sup> West Allis.

REPRESENTATIVES

Peter Crave,<sup>1</sup> Beloit.  
Frank Foote, Lake Mills.  
John Ricks, Boscobel.  
W. P. Bryant,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee.  
J. C. Clayton, Milwaukee.

ALTERNATES

Albert Pride, Fond du Lac.  
Casper Miller,<sup>1</sup> Eau Claire.  
Louis Hyde, Ripon.  
John S. Bartel,<sup>1</sup> Wauwatosa.  
John W. Hart,<sup>1</sup> Lacrosse.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James K. Proudfit, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	James Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1885.
H. A. Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
J. M. Rusk, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	H. P. Fisher, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
T. S. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	Michael Griffin, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> 1888.
A. J. McCoy, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	L. Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1889.
G. A. Hanaford, 1874-75.	Benjamin F. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
John Hancock, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	W. H. Upham, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
H. G. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	C. B. Welton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.
F. S. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	E. A. Shores, 1893 (see Washington and Alaska).
Griff J. Thomas, 1879-81 (see Nebraska).	J. A. Watrous, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
H. M. Enos, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	W. D. Hoard, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
Philip Cheek, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	D. Lloyd Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1896.

<sup>1</sup> Present.                      <sup>2</sup> Deceased.                      <sup>3</sup> National council of administration.



## WISCONSIN (2)—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

E. B. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	W. J. McKay, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
C. H. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	O. L. Rosenkrans, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Henry Harnden, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. A. Wyse, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
S. H. Talmadge, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	George D. Breed, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
David J. James, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Robert R. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
A. H. DeGroff, <sup>2</sup> 1901 (see California and Nevada).	Walter O. Pietsch, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
J. H. Agen, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	M. L. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
J. P. Rundle, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	James F. Carle, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Pliny Norcross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Alfred S. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
F. A. Copeland, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	George W. Morton, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
John W. Ganes, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Henry Hase, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
John C. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Henry Stannard, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
E. D. Coe, 1908 (died in office).	Henry C. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
R. B. Lang, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	G. H. Pounder, <sup>1 5</sup> Fort Atkinson, 1928.
William H. Grinnell, 1909.	Lloyd D. Sampson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	John H. Hellweg, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Hiram J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	W. H. Chesbrough, <sup>1 3</sup> Beloit, 1931.
George W. Spratt, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	George L. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Charles H. Henry, Eau Claire, 1913.	Henry Held, <sup>1 8</sup> West Allis, 1933.
Samuel A. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	Thaddeus Sheerin, Neenah, 1934.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Robert Boyd, Eau Claire, 1922.	B. F. Funk, Waukesha, 1932.
A. G. Dinsmore, Oshkosh, 1923.	Louis Hoberg, 1925, 1933.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Milton Selby, Lacrosse, 1930.	Royal Bigford, <sup>1</sup> Fond du Lac, 1933.
C. L. Hooker, Superior, 1931.	John Ellison, Milwaukee, 1934.
M. W. Wheeler, <sup>1</sup> Whitewater, 1932.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Junior vice commander in chief.<sup>8</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



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Harding I. Merrill, senior vice commander in chief, Wichita, Kans.  
Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general, Jackson, Mich.  
Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general, Philadelphia, Pa.

Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif.	Frederick H. Bishop, Wollaston, Mass
Emmet F. Taggart, Akron, Ohio.	John H. Hoffman, Ligonier, Ind.
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A. C. Estabrook, Michigan.  
Henry Held, Wisconsin.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Louis F. Arensberg:  
Samuel P. Town, Pennsylvania.  
James W. Willett, Iowa.  
Charles E. Nason, Maine.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher:  
Samuel R. Van Sant, Minnesota.  
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Edward Hurley, New York.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief John Reese:  
James E. Jewel, Colorado and Wyoming.  
C. H. Kinney, Nebraska.  
Edwin H. Lincoln, Massachusetts.

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Henry Hoffman, Colorado and Wyoming.  
E. W. Phillips, Kansas.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT

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## THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, AT GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SEPTEMBER 8 TO 12, 1935

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The Sixty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened in the ball room of the Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., at 2:50 p. m., Wednesday, September 11, 1935, Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey, of Elbridge, N. Y., presiding.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, this is the opening of the Sixty-ninth Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. I will call on the chaplain for prayer.

Chaplain in Chief J. KING GIBSON, of Dayton, Ohio. O Thou in Whom our souls trust, the eternal Jehovah, the Rock of Ages, to Thee our hearts turn. We pray Thee for all the blessings of our lives. We confess to Thee our manifold sins. We look to Thee for pardoning love, for wisdom and guidance in all our ways. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we worship Thee in this Sixty-ninth Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Whom have we in Heaven but Thee, and there is none upon earth that we desire beside Thee. Accept our praise, impart Thy spirit, and guide us in the way in which we should go. For the sake of Christ, our ever-blessed Redeemer. Amen.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The Adjutant will call the roll of officers.

The roll call disclosed the following officers present:

Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey, of New York.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Harding I. Merrill, of Kansas.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief George H. Pounder, of Wisconsin.

Surgeon General Dr. Edward H. Cowan, of Indiana.

Chaplain in Chief Rev. J. King Gibson, of Ohio.

Adjutant General Calvin A. Brainard, of New York.

Quartermaster General Samuel P. Town, of Pennsylvania.

Judge Advocate General James W. Willett, of Iowa.

Inspector general M. H. Davidson, of Kentucky.

Assistant Adjutant General Ira R. Wildman, of Connecticut.

Senior Aide de Camp John C. Mullins, of New York.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Next is the report of the committee on credentials.

Adjutant General BRAINARD (reading):

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The committee on credentials met Monday and received credentials from all departments but Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, and Oklahoma, from which departments no representatives have reported. The net voting strength is 672. Respectfully submitted.

CALVIN A. BRAINARD, *Adjutant general*.  
DARWIN B. WOLCOTT,  
M. H. DAVIDSON,  
JOSEPH B. HENNINGER,  
E. T. ABBOTT.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES W. WILLETT. What do we do with this report?

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the report and the motion that it be confirmed. All those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, same sign. Carried.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. Supplementary to the report of the committee I have a novel question to put to the comrades. The State of Georgia has but one member and he is a member at large, as I understand it, and pays his dues at the national headquarters. He was a constant delegate for some years. In conversation with him this forenoon the secretary and I discovered that he claimed that he was a past senior vice commander of the State of Georgia. Now his name is Henry Brunner, and I have had quite a conversation with him and I think that he affirms the truth, but we do not happen to have one of the old books here to determine it. But there he is. He has come all the way from Georgia. I think he is at the outpost. At any rate he was to be. He has paid his dues, he is a member at large, and avers the fact that he is a past senior vice commander. I think under the circumstances this organization is a law unto itself, and I move you that Comrade Brunner be admitted as a delegate to this encampment only, and that he be informed in the outer chamber to come in if he has the password. He has agreed to present evidence of his past office in the department before the next national encampment.

Comrade J. G. BYINGTON, of Kansas. For 60 years I was a member of the post in Kansas with Henry Brunner. I second the motion that he be admitted to this encampment.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, you have heard the motion. All those in favor of it will say "aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried.

I will call the senior vice commander in chief to the chair while the commander reads his report.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief HARDING I. MERRILL (assuming the chair). Now, comrades, give your attention to the commander in chief while he reads his report. His voice is not very strong. If you will give your strict attention to him you will confer a favor not only on him but the rest of the comrades here.

Commander in Chief Stacey then read his address, as follows:

#### ADDRESS OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF

COMRADES: Here in Grand Rapids, Mich., we meet to open the Sixty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Since our organization we have previously been entertained four times by this State, and it is a real pleasure to meet with such hospitable hosts who do so much for us to make us feel at home and welcome to the many good things of life that are given to us for our entertainment.

The past year since my election as commander in chief has been a year that will not soon be forgotten, by the passing of three past commanders in chief, Dr. Louis F. Arensberg, Dr. Lewis S. Pilcher, and John Reese, national patriotic instructor Henry B. Davidson, and David N. Foster of Indiana and Joseph A. Goodrich of New Jersey, both members of the executive committee of the national



council of administration—all close friends of mine and all of whom placed the work and the success of the Grand Army above all else. The wisdom of their counsel cannot be replaced.

The Grand Army of the Republic was organized at Decatur, Ill., on April 6, 1866, the most unique organization of Federal societies and one of the most powerful combinations ever conceived, all for the advancement and care of the needy veterans, widows, and children, and for the progress and prosperity of the Nation they had saved from dismemberment.

With the exception of two terms held by Grover Cleveland, the Government was in the hands of the Grand Army of the Republic and it was the most prosperous country in the world. In 1890 the Civil War debt had been paid and we asked for a pension and were granted \$2, \$4, \$6, and \$8 per month for disability, and now of the veterans, about 10,000, whose lives and health were placed at the call of the Government, receive \$100 per month and about 3,000 receive \$75. Justice must have been blindfolded to pass such a bill. Our widows receive \$30 to \$40 per month, according to age, and a very few who married a boy while he was in the service during 1861 to 1865 receive \$50 per month, the amount that all widows of the Civil War should receive. Your committee on legislation, after conferring with our Congressmen, decided the time was inauspicious to ask for an increase of pensions during the financial depression and unanimously decided to wait for better times before making any new claim.

During the past year it was my duty and pleasure to answer the call to visit many camp fires, encampments, banquets, lunches, and various gatherings in the interest and the advancement of the work of the Grand Army of the Republic. Many get-together meetings have been held, which were of much local benefit to ourselves and our allies, at Syracuse, Auburn, Rochester, Oswego, Watertown, and other places. At Canandaigua a reunion promoted by Hon. R. F. Thompson, whose father was a member of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth New York Volunteers, on August 22, 1934, had 67 Civil War comrades, with nearly 200 members of our Federated Societies, seated at the dining table, and this year the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth New York Volunteers were joined by the Eighth New York, Colonel Porter's regiment, also the Canandaigua Rotary Club. August 22 is the reunion date of both regiments, and these reunions are attended by more veterans than we muster at our State encampments.

On April 5, accompanied by Mrs. Stacey, I left Syracuse for Albany, where I visited my office at the Capitol, and on April 6 reached Providence, R. I., where I was entertained by the comrades in session for their annual department encampment. I remained with them until April 9, when I left Providence for Boston, Mass., where I was entertained at the Hotel Statler. The city furnished a car, and escorted by Past Senior Vice Commander in Chief Edwin H. Lincoln and a policeman on a motorcycle, we made the rounds of our fraternities' conventions, which were well attended and full of interest.

On April 11 I arrived at Concord, N. H., was escorted by comrades to a hotel and that evening attended a camp fire at the Capitol



Assembly Chamber. On April 13 we went to West Newton for a rest over Sunday. On April 15 we went on the Yankee Flyer to Portland, Me., and were met at the station by Assistant Adjutant General Nason. We remained until April 17 at the Falmouth Hotel, attending dinners, camp fires, and conventions of fraternities and then went to Hartford, Conn., where we were met at the railroad station by a band and reception committee and escorted to the Bond Hotel. That evening I attended a large camp fire. At nearly all the places mentioned I was honored with the privilege of installing the department officers for the ensuing term of 1935-36. Considering their advanced age and numbers, all departments are carrying on as well as could be expected.

In New Hampshire we were met by eight comrades, to honor all the heads of our fraternities. Maine, in charge of Comrade Nason, was in good working condition. Massachusetts lived up to its past record by attendance of a large number of comrades and all their fraternities at their meetings. Rhode Island was represented by their old reliables, and Connecticut, led by Comrade Wildman and others, had a vigorous company of comrades, ready and willing to do any work required of them by the Grand Army.

On the 18th we called on comrades at room 5, City Hall, New York, and room 12, Borough Hall, Brooklyn, N. Y.

On Sunday, April 21, we arrived at the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C. On April 22 it was my pleasure to dedicate a room for the use of the Grand Army of the Republic in the spacious mansion owned by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War at 1326 Eighteenth Street NW., Washington, D. C. A reception was given in honor of Mrs. Matilda D. Roberts, national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and your commander in chief. The house was well filled by many officers of the Army and Navy and National and Department officers of the Grand Army of the Republic and its auxiliary and allied orders.

After dedicating the Grand Army room in the building devoted to the work of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, we called on members of the Senate and House of Representatives on subjects of interest to our order.

Mrs. Stacey and I are especially under obligations for favors extended to us by Mrs. Moree Buckles McElroy and her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Buckles, who took us to Arlington Cemetery and to Mount Vernon, where the gates were opened to allow us to drive in—an unusual concession—and then for a sight-seeing trip along the Potomac River and through the parks.

On April 27 I attended a luncheon and reception at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, given by past presidents of the Woman's Relief Corps, and on April 28 attended memorial exercises at Grant's Tomb, where I delivered an address. That evening a dinner was given by Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary at the Hotel McAlpin.

At Hotel Seneca at Rochester, N. Y., on May 3 I attended the National Reserve Officers Association of the United States. A fine representative body of reserve officers and their ladies attended. On May 4 a luncheon and reception at Rochester were given to your commander in chief by the Allied patriotic Societies, with the usual after-dinner talks and enjoyable time.



On June 3 to 6 I attended the New York State Encampment at Buffalo. On the evening of June 5 there was a parade to Elmwood Music Hall, where a fine program of music by the band and Bollingen Chorus followed. There were addresses by city officials, department officers of the Grand Army and its auxiliary and allied orders, Past Senior Vice Commander in Chief Edwin H. Lincoln, of Massachusetts, and by your commander in chief and a fine address by Hon. R. F. Thompson, judge of the appellate division.

On July 7 I attended memorial services at Hotel Syracuse held by United Spanish War Veterans of the department of New York at their department encampment, with a program by noted Spanish War comrades from New York State. Among the speakers were Hon. G. R. Lunn, J. W. Green, Joseph R. Hanley, Dan J. Kelly, Fred Hyatt, Dr. Paul Steinberg, chairman, Rev. Mr. Thompson, and your commander in chief.

On July 11 I attended a testimonial dinner given by the Valentine Myer Post No. 317 American Legion of Elbridge in honor of your commander in chief. Fred Hyatt, past commander of Onondaga County American Legion, acted as toastmaster.

#### MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCES

Your attention is called to the report of the adjutant general, showing the continued loss of comrades whose life's work is finished; also to the quartermaster's annual report showing our decreased financial assets. Our death losses are to be expected. Our finances must be worked out by our allies as part of their responsibilities, to keep the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic alive for their benefit in future years.

#### MEMORIAL SERVICES

"Every year they're marching slower,  
Every year they're stooping lower,  
Every year the lilting music stirs the hearts of older men,  
Every year the flags above them  
Seem to bend and bless and love them,  
As if grieving for the future, when they'll never march again."

As we, the Grand Army, fade away, our memorial services are taken up by our allied organizations, our comrades of the Spanish-American and World Wars, and our old reliable citizens. God bless them all.

#### OUR FRATERNITIES

We cannot give too much credit to the loyalty of our fraternities for their care, assistance of weak posts and comrades who are nearing their end. The good work and deeds accomplished by their members would fill a book and astonish the world. We should be indeed thankful that our fraternities possess such a roster of energetic members, ready and willing to help in every time of need.

Many thanks for favors received.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

To my personal staff, I am profoundly under obligations for services rendered. At all times I have found them efficient and ready to do work for our organization. Especially do I wish to

extend heartfelt thanks to Adjutant General Calvin A. Brainard, Quartermaster General Samuel P. Town, and all members of my staff, and also to Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary, for her good work and management of our headquarters.

I extend my thanks for courtesies received from the national presidents of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Lizetta Coady; of the Ladies of the Grand Army, Mrs. Pearl C. Cooke; of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mrs. Matilda D. Roberts; of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mrs. Gertrude M. Sautter; to the Commander in Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Frank L. Kirchgassner; and to department secretary of the New York department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Julius Isaacs.

I desire also to express the appreciation of my organization and my personal gratitude to Hon. Rolland B. Marvin, mayor of the city of Syracuse, and to Mr. Fred Baldwin, commissioner of education, for providing the Grand Army of the Republic with suitable headquarters in the Board of Education Building.

In conclusion, I want to thank one and all who have assisted me in my administration. Except during unavoidable sickness, I have tried to advance the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic at all times.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Comrades, you have heard the report. As the rules and regulations require a committee to report on this I will name Samuel P. Town, of Pennsylvania; Edwin J. Foster, of Massachusetts; and Samuel R. Van Sant, of Minnesota, to report on this wonderful report of your commander in chief. I thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY (resuming the chair). Dr. Richardson is present and desires to extend greetings from General Hines, of Washington, D. C.—Dr. Richardson.

Dr. H. L. RICHARDSON. Commander in chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I consider it a great privilege to be with you today to extend the greetings of Gen. Frank T. Hines, the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, of Washington, D. C. If you should decide to come to Washington next year I can promise you the greatest courtesy and consideration that we can possibly extend to you. If there are any grievances between our administration and the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic just write in to us and it will be straightened out. I thank you.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. The comrade has gone, but in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic and its present assemblage I thank the gentleman for his greetings. That is about all that can be said, as brief as he was and as uncertain as he was as regards the hearing. I don't know that I am improving it any, but that is about all I have to say or can say under the circumstances.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Next the officer of the day will present Dr. McClung.

Comrade JOSEPH BAUER, of New York, Officer of the Day. I have greetings from the Daughters of Veterans.

Commander in Chief STACEY. No; Dr. McClung now.

Dr. GEORGE H. MCCLUNG, of Grand Rapids. Commander in chief and members of the Grand Army of the Republic:



This is a very happy moment in my life. A man should never be proud of any accident of birth, but I am very happy that my father was a veteran in the Civil War, enlisting from Illinois. His ancestors came from old Virginia, but his grandfather and father came to Illinois in an early day and so he enlisted in the Union Army. My wife's father also was a veteran of the Civil War, enlisting from Pennsylvania.

I have never seen a man wearing the bronze button of the soldiers of the Civil War but what I have always felt that I should thank him for the battles that he fought for me, and the long marches and the sacrifices. So I am very happy today to bring you greetings from the Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church now in session in this city, an organization that has about 300 ministers and some 71,417 members. I was appointed this morning as the chairman of a committee to bring you resolutions, and these resolutions have been adopted by our conference. [Reading.]

Whereas we are informed that the Sixty-ninth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic with its allied organizations is in session in our city, with some three hundred Civil War veterans in attendance; and whereas, their contribution to the preservation of the Union and their stabilizing influence on our subsequent national life are everywhere recognized;

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we express to these highly esteemed veterans our deep appreciation of their heroic services to the Nation in its crucial hour.
2. That we also recognize their present contribution to our national life, and our conviction that their sturdy and intelligent patriotism in maintaining the best traditions of our country should be an inspiration and a challenge to the rising generations to assume the full responsibilities of citizenship.
3. That we would likewise pay our tribute to the memory of their comrades, who were with them in the great struggle, and who have joined the great majority of whom it is said that—

On Fame's eternal camping ground  
Their silent tents are spread;  
While Glory guards with solemn round,  
The bivouac of the dead.

GEORGE H. McCLUNG.  
JOSHUA RANDALL.  
FRANKLIN H. CLAPP.

May I just add this word, as I said Sunday morning to your commander and some of the officers of his staff? If I could make a beautiful garland I would take the red rose, emblematic of your heroic sacrifices; I would place with it the Easter lily, which is the symbol of the resurrection; take some of the old-fashioned flowers from mother's garden to represent the love and the prayers we have eternally in our heart; and I would bring the gratitude and affection of a Nation and lay them at your feet today as a symbol of our gratitude.

May the Lord bless thee and keep thee; may the Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee; may the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I will ask the senior vice commander in chief to reply.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. As a son of a Union veteran I give you the right hand of fellowship. I assure you that the Grand Army of the Republic recognizes the Methodist Episcopal Church and all Christian organizations from the foundation of our



Government for liberty and justice, and I want to say to you that I am most happy to congratulate and thank you on that resolution.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The Daughters of Veterans Greeting Committee. [Encampment called to its feet.]

Officer of the Day BAUER. I have the high honor to present to you a greeting committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, this is a delegation from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and I am pleased to introduce to you their leader, Mrs. Adele Coman Murphy.

Mrs. ADELLE COMAN MURPHY, national junior vice president. Commander in chief, national officers and comrades, it gives me great pleasure to be here today to speak before our fathers. The greatest honor that could come to me is mine at this time—to stand here and bring you the greetings of your daughters to their fathers. I am eligible to the Daughters of the American Revolution and I am eligible to the Daughters of 1812, and I am very proud of it. But I am doubly eligible to the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. My mother's father gave his life at Cedar Creek, and my own father was one of you.

I don't know that I could ever join any other organization because since I became a member of the Daughters you haven't given me any time to join anything else. I have enjoyed my work with you and just hope that you will be spared to us for many, many years so that we can have you as our inspiration, and by the looks of this assemblage here today you are going to be here a long, long time.

My national president gave me this honor for a very special reason. Commander in Chief Comrade Stacey I have known for many years. He comes from New York and that is my State. The girls when they come here try to claim many different States—the State they were born in, the State they lived in for a while, and so on. But I come from New York and I have been in New York all my life. I probably would be there now if my father and my grandfather had not been Civil War veterans. But because they were I had to come here to this convention. I would not miss it for anything.

But Commander in Chief Stacey is from my department. He has lived nearer to me than he does now and we are only about 50 miles apart. My father went out in the same regiment with Commander Stacey and so that is why I had this honor, because really I am only a small officer in the national as yet. These ladies who are with me are much higher. I certainly appreciate the honor and I want to convey to you, Commander in Chief, the best wishes of our national president and our Daughters. We all hope you will have a very lovely convention, and Sister Roberts sent to you personally from the National Daughters of Union Veterans this book and wanted me to tell you that in every line and every word that you read you will find the esteem and the love of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Mrs. Murphy, as you well know I have stood by and there is a soft spot in my heart for the Daughters and I have for several years tried to place their meetings in my State where they would be perfectly happy and consider that they had been rightfully used by the Grand Army. This book I shall



appreciate. If it is a testament, I have got 26 copies of it in the house. If it is some other book, I shall be pleased to read it.

Mrs. MURPHY. Better read your testament, too.

Commander in Chief STACEY. As a boy, and a Methodist at that, my people made me learn seven verses for every Sunday-school lesson by the time I was 5 or 6 years old. So since then they have often said, "Where did you get your knowledge of the Bible?" They ask me what my religion is. I tell them, "A progressive Methodist." They say, "That is all right about the progressive part of it."

Mrs. MURPHY. I am a Methodist, too.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Thank you very much for your appearance here.

Mrs. MURPHY. Now, Commander in Chief, let me present a past national president of the Daughters.

Mrs. HARRIET J. GOETZ, past national president, Commander in Chief, national officers, and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. You know I am very, very happy to be here on this committee because I also am from the State of New York, and as I look down into your faces I see a whole row of my beautiful comrades. I know you are having a fine convention, and New York just brings greetings. Commander in Chief, I hope that you go back to New York just as well as you were when you left and bring back the honors of a past commander in chief (and behave yourself).

Commander in Chief STACEY. She always has to put an amendment of some sort on her speeches.

Mrs. EDNA CHRISTIANCE, department president of New York. Comrade Stacey, national officers, and all the comrades, I am not going to talk as long as our leader did, but I just come with the greetings of New York, of the New York department girls to you, and to give you something that you can carry with you on your travels or use in your home. I hope you will have many pleasant memories of the Daughters from New York.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Thank you very much. I don't know what is bound up in this, comrades, so I think I better go slow in opening it.

Mrs. DORIS B. MERRYMAN, past national president. Comrade Stacey, this is Doris Merryman of Ohio, a past national president. Bertha Martin was to come with this committee, and if there is any girl whom I should like to have presented to this convention and whom you would have loved to admit, it would have been Bertha Martin. She was one of the five girls who organized the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 50 years ago. I am taking her place, and I believe that I can tell you a little story that you will enjoy, and leave the patriotic talks to the rest of the girls.

This minister's wife died and he wired to the secretary of the ministerial union, "My wife died. Please send me a substitute over the week end." Now then, comrades, I am that substitute. I came from Bertha Martin and from the Daughters. They send you their love and their best greeting and this little symbol of love, and to make it absolutely secure we have taken the thorns off the roses. And may we always do that for anything that we have to do for the Grand Army of the Republic. May we give you the roses; may

we remove the thorns. God bless you, God speed you, and may we meet again. Thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. This is Sister Bowmaster of Michigan.

Mrs. TERESA BOWMASTER, department president of Michigan. Comrade commander and comrades, I am honored more than I can tell you to be here and see all these delegations from the different States representing the Grand Army of the Republic. I am specially honored in coming, not only to bring greetings from our national president, but because as president of the Michigan Department I want to bring greetings, loving greetings and a hearty welcome from your Michigan Daughters. When I was elected president of the Michigan Department I pledged and dedicated the services of the Daughters to the Grand Army of the Republic, not that I felt that we could add anything to your material comfort, but we just thought that it would give you happiness and satisfaction to know that the Michigan Daughters are with you all the way, lock, stock, and barrel. Now we are just glad to have you in Grand Rapids. We want you to have a good time. We want you to come back again some time if you can. I see my department commander down here, and I am glad to see other familiar faces. I want to thank you for this opportunity of coming. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. Will Comrade Foster answer the Daughters?

Past Commander in Chief EDWIN J. FOSTER. Commander in chief, my comrades, I am pleased to have been invited to answer our Daughters. I have one of my own and I think a great deal of her and I think a good deal of all our Daughters. Sometimes I am led to believe that possibly we do not think as much of them as we ought to, and therefore I am one who believes that they have done a wonderful work since they took up their effort. And so without making any apologies for the corps who, we know, became interested in us and we in them years before we had any Daughters, today it gives me great pleasure, and I want to say to these Daughters: "Keep up the good work." And I am going to leave it to you as you look over this audience here today to make up your mind that the old boys are not ready just now to give up and say that they cannot go any further. I thank you. [Applause.]

Mrs. MURPHY. Commander in chief, I would just like to add one other thing, that when we lose you as our national commander up in New York State we are going to lose our very much beloved Katharine R. A. Flood, who has been this past year in New York State as your secretary and has done so much to inspire us by her experience and her lovely and sweet words. We were together last week in Syracuse, but I just couldn't say what I am saying now. I have just really realized that Katharine was to leave us. But I congratulate you on your choice of a secretary. We have benefited a whole lot in the New York department by having her with us [Applause.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. I want you to understand that I appreciate those remarks very highly. I do appreciate your work for the Grand Army away above the gifts. (The committee retired, the encampment rising.)



Comrades, at this point I will read the committees appointed. The committee on the address of the commander in chief has already been announced.

Committee on reports of other officers:

Charles E. Nason, Maine.  
Arthur Dawson, Illinois.  
Darwin B. Wolcott, California and Nevada.

Greetings committee to W. R. C.:

Russell C. Martin, California and Nevada.  
A. C. Estabrook, Michigan.  
Chas. M. Hambright, Wisconsin.

Greetings committee to Ladies of G. A. R.:

Ira R. Wildman, Connecticut.  
Thomas M. Ambrose, Illinois.  
Edward M. Griffiths, New York.

Greetings committee to Daughters of Union Veterans:

Edwin H. Lincoln, Massachusetts.  
John H. Hoffman, Indiana.  
Dr. Edward H. Cowan, Indiana.

Greetings committee to Sons of Union Veterans:

Edwin J. Foster, Massachusetts.  
E. F. Taggart, Ohio.  
George W. Green, Massachusetts.

Greetings committee to Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans:

C. H. Wm. Ruhe, Pennsylvania.  
William H. Bilbee, New Jersey.  
Thomas J. Noll, Iowa.

Committee on resolutions:

James W. Willett, Iowa, chairman.

Committee on resolutions on death of C. P. Lomax, national patriotic instructor:

C. H. Kinney, Nebraska.  
Henry Hoffman, Colorado and Wyoming.  
E. W. Phillips, Kansas.

Officer of the Day BAUER. I have two committees there that I think could be admitted at the same time.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Two committees at the door, one from the auxiliary to the Spanish War veterans and the other from the auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Please admit them.

Mrs. JANE FISHER, president Auxiliary No. 9, Department of Michigan, U. S. W. V. I wish to bring you greetings of the Spanish War Auxiliary No. 9, Department of Michigan. We feel in the Department of Michigan, because some of you boys served in the Spanish War, that you are quite close to us too. [Presenting flowers.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. We thank you very much for these beautiful flowers. We have with us a member of the auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

MARTHA E. HILL, department chief of staff, Department of Michigan, Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. Commander in chief, national officers, past national officers, and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, it affords me great pleasure, and indeed it is a very great honor, to have the

privilege to present to you greetings from the Department of Michigan, Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars and of Sgt. Charles E. Cunningham Auxiliary of Grand Rapids. We trust you will have a very lovely time and a very happy and successful encampment, and we thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Will Comrade Wildman answer the greetings?

Comrade IRA R. WILDMAN, of Connecticut. As an honorary member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars I am very happy to have you come into this encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic and give to our boys the greetings of that organization. It was my privilege in the early days to organize or help organize in our city at home the Veterans of Foreign Wars. In behalf of the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic I presented them with their standard of colors, at which time they made me an honorary member, and I have worn their badge of honor all these years. It does not happen to be on me now; it is on my other coat upstairs. If I had known I was going to have this pleasure I certainly should have worn the badge.

To you of the Spanish War, I never had the honor of belonging to that organization, although I have worked with them since their institution, and they have done a wonderful lot of good and patriotic service. I congratulate you that you have organized an auxiliary for that organization, for it is not good for man to be alone.

Officer of the Day BAUER. Commander in chief, I have a drum corps here headed by Charles S. Norris.

(Music by Michigan Drum Corps.)

CHARLES S. NORRIS, Lansing, Mich. I want to introduce to you at this time our chaplain who will give you just a short greeting.

F. A. SHAPE. Comrades and friends, we are very glad indeed to come this afternoon and bring to you greetings of the Michigan Grand Army of the Republic Fife and Drum Corps. We are glad to serve you and we belong not only to the Michigan delegations but we belong to you. So it is a great pleasure to come in this afternoon and bring you our hearty greetings and best wishes and we wish you many years more.

Commander in Chief STACEY. We appreciate your attendance here and the music you have given us and trust that all have enjoyed it. We know that you will do your utmost to entertain us while we are here in Michigan.

Mr. NORRIS. Commander in chief, I know that you boys want to get home, but I have got some men who have got to make a 200-mile drive yet tonight. We have been waiting since a quarter after two. I do not want to interfere with you and we are going to cut some of our music short. Commander in chief, I am making this as brief as I can and do justice to it.

We are mighty glad, commander in chief, to have you in our midst. We as the Michigan Fife and Drum Corps are mighty glad to have you with us. And, commander in chief of the greatest patriotic body in the world, I am not throwing in any dead bouquets or anything, because I remember back a few years ago you were the men that could meet your foes face to face on one of the bloodiest battlefields of the world's history, grasp his hand and wel-



come him to the old U. S. A.—not the N. R. A., not the New Deal, but the square deal under the U. S. A. No other army, no other two armies under the blue canopy of heaven and on God's green earth have ever had the opportunity to meet each other—those that were once foes and have become friends. It is just simply that we are now one U. S. A. Your boys come from California to Michigan; you have come from all over the United States; and there is nobody more happy to have you with us than the Michigan G. A. R. Fife and Drum Corps. We boys are here to honor the comrades and give you the music that you were used to. Our boys get together once a year. You have had some idea of some of our playing when you are around.

Now, commander in chief, you are in Michigan, the State that stands second to none so far as its integrity, its honesty, and its patriotism, as evidenced by its ratio of enlistments in the great Civil War, in the Spanish-American War, and in the World War. God forbid that we have to go to war again, but if we do Michigan will go shoulder to shoulder with any other State in the Union to defend that old flag. We have room for only one flag on this continent. God help us that we keep that flag unstained forever.

Comrade commander in chief, I said we are one united United States. Michigan is only one State. It is my pleasure, and I deem it a great honor, to at this time present to you a gavel. Now, comrades, this gavel has one piece of wood in it, in its composition, for each State in the United States. In other words, there are 48 pieces of wood in this gavel. I know, because I turned them. And those pieces of wood are held together with a cement that I hope will never cease to bind them. That represents the love, the honor, the integrity of the United States people as a United States people. I have this pleasure now, Comrade Stacey, to present this gavel to you in behalf and in the name of the Michigan G. A. R. Fife and Drum Corps. Commander Stacey, wield it with firmness, tempered with mercy, with justice for all. [Applause]

Commander in Chief STACEY. When it is in use I will remember the drum corps.

(The drum corps played "Marching Through Georgia", and then retired.)

Commander in Chief STACEY. Are there any committees ready to report? No unfinished business? Any new business?

Officer of the Day BAUER. I have a greetings committee from the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, delegates from New York Department.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Bring them right in. [Committee presented to commander in chief.] I have the pleasure to introduce to you Mayme Dwyer.

Past National President MAYME E. DWYER. Commander in Chief Stacey, members of this splendid body, the blue blood of America: I know that you have received calls since your opening this afternoon and heard addresses by representatives of various organizations. We have come to express to you our love and esteem. We are very busy back there where we came from. I know there is a lot of work here ahead of you. So I am not going to take up a lot of time, because were I to talk from now till doomsday I could not express, no matter what great orator I might be, and I am no orator, the love



and esteem in which the members of the Grand Army of the Republic are held in the hearts not only of the American men but of the American women. You are our fathers and our fathers' comrades. You have brought this Nation to the high pinnacle which it has now attained, and there is nothing now that we as your descendants feel is too good for you. I am coming to you, Commander in Chief Stacey, from your home State. The gift I bring is not from your home State but from my national president and your coworker, Sister Gertrude Sautter. She has prayed for you this year that God would spare you in good health to carry on the work that you have done. She has prayed for those at home that they might not be too lonesome without your company. And so today, in behalf of Sister Sautter, I bring you this personal gift with her love and esteem. And I bring you the personal love and esteem of every member of our organization and those that are nearest and dearest to you, those who know you best, your home-town girls. [Applause]

Commander in Chief STACEY. I thank you very much for this from my own home State because, as you say, those who know you best ought to be able to judge what the work is. Thank you.

Miss DWYER. None of our other girls are going to talk. They just want to assure you of their love. That is all, because you are busy and we are busy, and we would like to be excused.

(Whereupon the committee, which consisted, in addition to Miss Dwyer, of Clara Samuels, Ida B. Lange, Ella J. Maples, Mary Mandeville, Edith M. Paulding, Rose Isaacs, Mattie Bulby, Lucy Barnard, and Susie Smith, was escorted to the door, the encampment standing.)

Officer of the Day BAUER. Commander, I have the honor of introducing to you a committee from the Women's Club of Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mrs. ETTA VAN NORMAN, of Grand Rapids. I am both a Daughter and a Relief Corps woman, and besides that I am past president of the organization of the literary clubs of Grand Rapids. We felt we were so highly honored in having you come to us again that we just brought you these few flowers. You know that flowers stand for the ties of friendship, and we of the clubs here are mostly Daughters and Relief Corps women, so we wanted you to know that we all got together and we are all thinking of you. We are hoping you are having a nice time, and we are glad that you came to see us. [Presenting basket of flowers] and this basket of flowers is for the secretary, Miss Flood.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Past Commander in Chief Van Sant will respond.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. You have given us a most hearty welcome here. We are very happy to be here in Grand Rapids. We have been here four times, and if we are invited we are going to come again.

Mrs. VAN NORMAN. That is just it. You just do that.

Commander in Chief STACEY. We will now have reports from the departments as to the members whom you have named to serve on the committee on resolutions.



The committee on resolutions, the members of which had been reported by the various departments, was then read by the shorthand reporter as follows:

California and Nevada: George N. Lockwood, Eagle Rock City.

Colorado and Wyoming: Lewis H. Easterly, Gunnison, Colo.

Connecticut: Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport.

Florida: W. C. Russell, St. Cloud.

Idaho: John S. Thorn, Boise.

Illinois: John E. Andrew, Quincy.

Indiana: Joseph B. Henninger, Indianapolis.

Iowa: James W. Willett, Tama.

Kansas: W. A. Bosworth, Wichita.

Kentucky: M. H. Davidson, Louisville.

Louisiana and Mississippi: William Rochester, Natchez, Miss.

Maine: C. E. Nason, Gray.

Maryland: Henry Smith, Baltimore.

Massachusetts: John E. Bronson, Dedham.

Michigan: Ray Mitchell, Flint.

Minnesota: Samuel R. Van Sant, Minneapolis.

Missouri: Jonathan Hollingsworth, Kansas City.

Nebraska: S. S. Warren, Lincoln.

New Hampshire: Frank E. Amadon, Keene.

New Jersey: Abraham Ryerson, Lincoln Park.

New York: Thomas H. Stritch, Brooklyn.

North Dakota: J. W. Carroll, Lisbon.

Ohio: Jacob Secrest, Cincinnati.

Oklahoma:

Pennsylvania: C. H. W. Ruhe, Pittsburgh.

Potomac: William F. Dorsey, Washington, D. C.

Rhode Island: Martin S. Smith, North Scituate.

South Dakota: Levi Van Voorhis, Huron.

Tennessee: F. M. Underwood, Knoxville.

Texas: John Shearer, Mont Belvieu.

Utah: Ira Stormes, Salt Lake City.

Vermont: John H. Amadon, Waterville.

Virginia and North Carolina: Charles Grandy, Norfolk.

Washington and Alaska: D. L. Crossen, Tacoma.

West Virginia: W. M. Smith, Shadyside, Ohio.

Wisconsin: Henry Held, West Allis.

Comrade IRA R. WILDMAN, of Connecticut. I am a member of Custer's Brigade of Sheridan's Cavalry. It was only a little while ago, comrades, that we dedicated in the city of Monroe in this State a memorial monument to his memory. Eight hundred of the comrades of that brigade were present at that ceremony, and Mrs. Custer presented us with this necktie which I am wearing. At the last encampment in Grand Rapids, Mich., 38 of us assembled here and were received and taken to a place out here in the woods somewhere by Mrs. Booth, who was the daughter of one of the comrades of my company, Troop A, First Michigan Cavalry, and there entertained. She has extended the same greetings to us here again today. Only two of us are here, but I wish to extend to you their greetings.

Mr. Commander, I never had greater honors conferred upon me than when you appointed me upon your staff. I have traveled somewhat with you on your trips and we have been very good friends. The rest of the members of your staff whom I have associated with feel just like I do, that you are a darned good fellow. You know in our ritual of the Grand Army it is said that in the old days candidates for knighthood were examined in the exercise of arms, in the record of their military service, and if they were found duly quali-

fied they were given a shield without a device that they might win an emblazonry for it. But comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic do not need to win any device to show their chivalrous spirit. Comrade Stacey has been chivalrous all the way through with the staff officers here, and in their behalf, my comrade, they have asked me to present you with this badge. It is more honorable than any shield, and emblazoned with a heroism that was patriotic and a patriotism that was heroic. In their behalf I ask you to accept it and wear it over a heart so true, so patriotic, and so brave that it will be to others the incentive to the most generous patriotism. To your honor as a man and comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, I entrust it.

(Presenting diamond badge of past commander in chief.)

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrade, you have changed so suddenly to something that I least expected that I hardly know what to say. This touches my heart. It is unexpected, you know. That kind of upsets my nerves; that is what it has done to me. It is a beautiful badge that anyone would be very proud to have and to wear and to think of the memories that are bound up in that badge from the comrades. If in the future I can be of any benefit to any one of you comrades just let me know and I will do my utmost. I thank you.

Comrades, have any of you any resolutions to offer? If so, bring them to the desk here and we will transfer them to the chairman of the resolutions committee for action.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES W. WILLETT. I do not think they hear you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. If any of you have any resolutions to offer, bring them to the reporter and he will transfer them to the chairman of the resolutions committee for action tonight and he will report to you tomorrow what the action is.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. Commander in Chief, permit me to supplement what you have said about resolutions. These resolutions should be presented to the secretary, without debate, in order that we may gather them together and present them to the committee on resolutions and thereafter make the report to this encampment. And it ought to be done today so that we would know what we have to act upon.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Have you all passed in the resolutions that you have, to be acted upon by the committee?

Officer of the Day BAUER. Another committee of World War veterans.

J. B. SEMEYN, commander of West Michigan Counties, Veterans of Foreign Wars (with four others as a committee). Commander in Chief and officers of this great Grand Army of the Republic, at this time it gives me a great deal of pleasure to extend to you the greetings from another organization which, we think, is next best to the Grand Army of the Republic, known as the Veterans of Foreign Wars. At this time I want to extend to you the greetings from the Department of Michigan, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. I might say, comrades, that the comrades here that are before you are natives here of this particular city and State,



and we have tried to make your stay here a pleasant one. We have worked on the various committees. Probably on some of them we have fallen down, but nevertheless it is not too late yet to correct it if we have done so. My wish is that you will have a pleasant stay here, that you have enjoyed yourselves, and that your business sessions here will be carried on and will be of great reward to all of you. I thank you. [Applause.]

Past Commander in Chief RUSSELL C. MARTIN. I would like to shake hands with the chairman of this committee and extend to the balance of the committee the best wishes in the world for the Veterans of Foreign Wars. They were the ones who went across the country and across the water in defense of this great country of ours and all of the great countries of Europe, and we are proud of you and we are proud of these greetings that you are bringing to us today, and we thank you for coming. We are having one of the best times. You may know, because we have come back here for the third time within just a short time, just to enjoy your hospitality and good feeling that there is in this city and the State of Michigan for the Grand Army of the Republic. They had a great number of veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic in Michigan, and today there is just a little handful, unable to do what we might call anything at all. We are surely grateful to you today that you have come here and brought us these greetings, and we thank you.

Mr. SEMEYN. I will say in response to that that we are certainly very happy to be with you, and if we can go on and carry on only half way as well as you comrades have carried on in the past years, as we have seen you march down the Avenue here this morning 100 percent, right tiptoe on the job, comrades, you don't know what it means to us boys that are following along in your footsteps. And as I stated, if we can do only just half as well as you comrades have done we will be thankful, and we will do our utmost to try and fulfill your expectations and fill your places where you comrades have left off. [Applause.]

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. Commander in Chief, I wish to expedite business on the resolutions committee. I wish that every member of the committee would meet at 8 p. m. this evening at headquarters at room 124, as we have a room adjacent thereto where the committee can meet. Bring with you any and all resolutions that are to be presented by you or any of your comrades to this encampment, so that we can consider them and if possible pass upon them tonight. Now, it will expedite business for the closing of the affairs of this encampment tomorrow, and there is no other time that we can do it as well as this evening. Be there at 8 p. m.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Communications.

Adjutant General Brainard then read the following communications:

JAMAICA, N. Y., September 9, 1935.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
Grand Rapids, Mich.

I am sorry that poor health makes trip to convention impossible. I send all best wishes for health and happiness to my comrades in blue.

DAVID LLEWELLYN,  
Judge Advocate, New York State.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *September 10, 1935.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

*Grand Rapids, Mich.*

Greetings from our organization here for your National Convention. May you have a very successful convention. Most sincerely,

ANNA NAGLE.

*National President Auxiliary United Spanish War Veterans.*

HOLLAND, MICH., *September 9, 1935.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, G. A. R.,

*Grand Rapids, Mich.*

Holland Camp U. S. W. V. extend greetings and best wishes for a successful encampment.

J. A. SLAUGHUIS, *Commander.*

J. H. VANLENTE, *Adjutant.*

LISBON, N. DAK., *September 11, 1935.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Warmest fraternal greetings to our older comrades. God bless you.

L. B. McKIN,

*Commander, Department North Dakota, United Spanish War Veterans.*

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., *September 10, 1935.*

G. A. R. Veterans,

*Pantlind Hotel.*

The five matrons of the Eastern Star reverently salute you.

Mrs. BLANCHE VANDERSTEL, *Oriental Chapter.*

Mrs. DOROTHY FRITSCH, *Peninsular Chapter.*

Mrs. FANNIE EVANS, *Signet Chapter.*

Mrs. CRYSTAL ESVELD, *Grand Rapids Chapter.*

Mrs. GRACE H. MCFARLAND, *York Chapter.*

CALEDONIA, MICH., *September 8, 1935.*

HEADQUARTERS, G. A. R. CONVENTION,

*Grand Rapids, Mich.*

DEAR SIR: I am 94 years old and a veteran of Company A, Burlington, Calhoun County, Mich., and not able to come to answer the roll call, but would like to say "How do you do" to fellow comrades. If any from our company is there I would like to hear from them. I have been a shut-in for the past 2 years.

Thank you, and may Old Glory forever wave.

Yours truly,

FRANK W. WRIGHT, *Caledonia, Mich.*

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., *September 10, 1935.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF G. A. R.,

*Pantlind Hotel.*

DEAR SIR: Members of Oriental Tent, No. 644, the Maccabees, join in extending the members of the National G. A. R. and ladies of the G. A. R. organizations a most hearty welcome to Grand Rapids.

They express a desire the convention committee will see fit to choose this city as a meeting place again in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

LYNN NOEL PRITCHARD, *Record Keeper.*

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, I have a communication here from M. C. Hazen, President of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia (reading):



July 29, 1935.

MY DEAR COLONEL: The Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia are much pleased to know that the Seventieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in the District of Columbia during the month of September of next year.

On behalf of the citizens of the District of Columbia, the Board of Commissioners extend to you and to the remaining comrades of the G. A. R., a most cordial invitation to the National Capital. They feel sure that everything will be done to make your comrades as comfortable as possible during the encampment here, and that the citizens of Washington will once again feel highly honored to have you visit them.

Historic Pennsylvania Avenue, which has been the scene of so many national processions and parades, should be especially inspiring, because of the monumental and stately Government structures which have been erected along the Avenue since your last encampment here.

Very sincerely yours,

M. C. HAZEN,

*President Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Colonel Alfred E. Stacey, Elbridge, N. Y.*

Now comrades, I want to say a word. In reading over the resolution as passed by the Senate and House of Representatives, they left out a couple of words that were in there, and that has made a sort of doubt as to how they can expend that fund; and in regard to that I would think it wise for this body to go to work and transfer the power to close up the deal, if it can be done properly, by a motion for the executive committee to have power to place the encampment for next year.

Past Commander in Chief EDWIN J. FOSTER. May I say a word upon that question? I would make a motion that this question be submitted to the executive committee; that this be submitted to them and let them answer the question, or to the committee on resolutions.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The motion is that it be referred to the committee on resolutions instead of the executive committee. Has the motion been seconded?

Comrade CHARLES E. NASON, of Maine. I second the motion.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The motion has been seconded. All those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, the same sign. [Cries of "No."]

Comrade NASON. In connection with that invitation, I have an invitation here to present from the city of Portland, Maine. As I am not able to read, on account of my blindness, I will ask somebody to read these invitations to you.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
*Portland, State of Maine.*

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Grand Rapids, Mich.*

GENTLEMEN: Recalling the privilege of entertaining the 64th National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Portland, Maine, in the year 1929, we respectfully request that you give consideration to again meeting in our city for your group activities in the year 1936.

September is one of the beautiful months of our year and yet because of the necessity of many of our tourists leaving with their children for schooling to the various homes in other States, we can adequately care for, and in the best of hotels, those who would attend both from your group and the affiliated bodies.

In the event of your choosing our location, we pledge the aid and support of our organization in doing all possible in making the preliminary arrangements prior to your coming and as well during your stay.

We appreciate very much your having been with us in 1929 and are hopeful that we may again be privileged another splendid gathering of those "brave soldiers of other years."

Very truly yours,

HOWARD H. WALDRON, *Manager.*

AUGUST 30, 1935.

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CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
August 29, 1935.

COL. CHARLES E. NASON,  
*Commander, G. A. R., Gray, Maine.*

MY DEAR COLONEL: On behalf of the city of Portland I would like to extend through you a cordial and hearty invitation to the Grand Army to hold its 1936 encampment in our city.

I can assure you that should this invitation be accepted, those attending would be received with open arms. Everything possible to make their visit enjoyable will be done for them.

I request that you present this invitation for the city of Portland at the annual encampment at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Very cordially yours,

PHILIP J. DEERING,  
*Chairman of City Council.*

Commander-in-Chief STACEY. Here is still another invitation [reading]:

CLEVELAND, OHIO, September 11, 1935.

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Grand Army of the Republic National Encampment.*

We extend a most cordial invitation to the G. A. R. to use Hotel Cleveland for your national encampment next year. All of our facilities are at your disposal. We assure you that nothing would be left undone on our part in making your affair here a success.

HOTEL CLEVELAND,  
LOUIS H. ALGUIRE, *Sales Manager.*

And here is an invitation from Hartford, Conn. [reading]:

CITY OF HARTFORD, CONN.,  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR,  
September 4, 1935.

Mr. C. D. WALLACE,  
*Department Commander, Department of Connecticut G. A. R.,  
Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich.*

DEAR COMRADE: I have your letter of August 31, and I can assure that as far as I am personally concerned I feel it would be a great honor to the city of Hartford if the Grand Army should see fit to choose it for their next convention.

I am bringing the matter to the attention of the court of common council at their meeting on September 9, suggesting that an official invitation be extended, and after they have taken due action I will send you a wire in regard to the matter.

Very truly yours,

J. W. BEACH, *Mayor.*

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HARTFORD, CONN., September 10, 1935.

C. D. WALLACE,  
*Department Commander, Department of Connecticut, G. A. R.,  
Grand Rapids, Mich.*

Court of Common Council, City of Hartford passed resolution inviting Grand Army of Republic to hold their 1936 convention in this city. Hartford desires to pay honor to the members of the Grand Army. Best wishes for a successful convention.

Mayor JOSEPH W. BEACH,



THE CONNECTICUT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.,  
EXECUTIVE OFFICES,  
September 6, 1935.

Mr. C. D. WALLACE.

*Department Commander, Grand Army of the Republic,  
National Encampment, Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich.*

DEAR SIR: In support of invitations to have the Grand Army of the Republic hold its 1936 National Encampment in Connecticut, I take pleasure in sending this communication.

Naturally the people of this State will feel highly honored at the selection of Connecticut for your next national encampment.

Other States have many wonderful things to offer, but none more captivating, beautiful, and inspiring than has Connecticut.

This State has a warm spot in its heart for the living members of the Grand Army of the Republic and a deep reverence for those who have gone before. Our patriotism is still attuned to the deeds of valor and sacrifice made on land and sea by those men and women who in the dark days of the sixties saved the Union and gave to the black race in America the blessings of freedom from slavery.

You may rest assured that in coming to Connecticut the members of the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will receive every consideration possible for the people of a grateful State to give.

Sincerely yours,

F. W. ORR, *Executive Vice President.*

OFFICE OF THE TOWN AND CITY CLERK,  
Hartford, Conn., September 10, 1935.

This certifies that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council held September 9, 1935, the following resolution was passed, and was approved by His Honor, the Mayor, September 10, 1935:

*Resolved*, That the city of Hartford, through His Honor, the Mayor, extend a cordial invitation to the Grand Army of the Republic to hold their 1936 Convention in this city.

Attest:

JOHN A. GLEASON, *City Clerk.*

Comrade WILLIAM F. DORSEY, of the Potomac. Under instructions from the commander of the Department of the Potomac, he has requested me to hand this letter to the desk to be read to the encampment.

The letter referred to by Comrade Dorsey was handed to the platform and read to the encampment by the commander in chief as follows:

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 6, 1935.

THE SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Grand Rapids, Mich.*

COMRADES: Referring to my designation, appointing William F. Dorsey, senior vice commander, Department of the Potomac, to represent the Department of the Potomac at this national encampment, I feel it proper and necessary that I report to the encampment what has been done by me personally in connection with Joint Resolution No. 40, Seventy-fourth Congress.

The resolution was not in any way sponsored by the Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, and when it appeared in the public press, we were astonished to know that it had been considered by the committees of both the House and the Senate and approved by the President without a hearing by the Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, before the committees of either House as to the desirability of passing the resolution, which is now a law.

Learning what had been done by the Congress through the public press of the city, I immediately took the matter up with the commander in chief, as to the best way to proceed, in view of the fact the Department of the Potomac had never been consulted by anybody in relation to the desirability of bringing



the Seventieth Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to Washington, D. C. My correspondence with the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic led me to believe that provision is made in the resolution for the expense of entertaining comrades who may come to Washington to attend the Seventieth National Encampment, should it be finally determined to hold it in Washington.

I had a conference with the President of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, accompanied by E. D. Godfrey, assistant adjutant general, Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic; Mr. James G. Yaden, president of the Citizens Association of the District of Columbia; and Mrs. Karl Pomeroy McElroy, honorary member of Kit Carson Post No. 2, Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, in order to be sure to have an understanding in connection with the use of \$15,000 appropriated by the joint resolution. I am personally of the opinion, and this opinion is confirmed by the conference had with the commissioners, that it is available for protection of life and property only, while the encampment is in session in Washington, D. C., and that the chairman appointed to take charge of the arrangements in the District of Columbia, if the seventieth encampment is held here, must give satisfactory bond to protect property, whatever may be added in the way of decoration, the stands for seating those interested in the parade, which must accompany the meeting, in the sum of \$10,000.

The Department of the Potomac at the present time consists of about 20 members scattered among 3 posts, with Kit Carson Post No. 2 having 16 members, and the other 2 posts, one has 3 and one has 2. All these members are more than 80 years of age and none are so well preserved as to undertake the strenuous work necessary to make the encampment, if held here, a success.

It must be borne in mind at this encampment that the \$15,000 appropriated and passed by the Congress July 18, 1935, must be used only for the public order, the protection of citizens and property. Therefore, it is incumbent upon the Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, and the citizens of the District of Columbia, to raise the amount of money necessary to entertain the encampment and visiting public. This is a task that the 20 living members of the Department of the Potomac, cannot undertake with any degree of successful certainty by reason of their age and infirmities. Then, too, the personal pride of the remaining few members of the Department of the Potomac, if they were able, would be delighted to undertake this work and regard it a great honor to do so.

It must be kept in mind that by reason of age and infirmities it is impossible for this department to make a success of another encampment to be held here in Washington, D. C., and if it is held here, it will be a reflection on the members of the Department of the Potomac and also the citizens of the District of Columbia.

JOHN M. KLINE,  
*Commander, Department of the Potomac.*

Commander in Chief STACEY. Now, comrades, I have a letter or two from Comrade Kline I would like to read (reading):

DEPARTMENT OF THE POTOMAC, G. A. R.,  
*Washington, D. C., July 17, 1935.*

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in Chief, Elbridge, New York.*

DEAR COMRADE STACY: Replying to your letter of the 10th inst. I want to thank you for information relative to the national encampment to be held in Washington, D. C., in 1936 and the Department of the Potomac will do its part to make a successful national encampment and not a memorial service or a requiem for the dead.

The corporation referred to in my letter is composed of young men except the department commander, assistant adjutant general and one comrade of the Department of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic. My thought was that the corporation might assist in making arrangements for the encampment, but the incident is closed as far as I am personally concerned.

Kit Carson Post No. 2, Grand Army of the Republic, is the only post functioning in the Department of the Potomac, with 16 members, all of these over eighty years of age and some of them require the constant care and attention of another person. The comrades that you and I have known in Washington, D. C., in the past have answered the last roll call.



The Department of the Potomac has entertained the national encampment four times in the past 65 years and will esteem it a high honor to be entertained by the United States Government in 1936.

Sincerely and fraternally,

JOHN M. KLINE, *Commander.*

The reason why he mentions a memorial service is that he said there was a memorial committee in Washington that has control of all Memorial Day observances and he would like that committee appointed to handle arrangements for the encampment and that there were three members of that belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic and all the rest of the members were young people. And I wrote back, when I read that, and told him that so far the Grand Army of the Republic did not submit to the work of memorial committees as we were not dead yet. So that is why he brings that in.

Comrade MARTIN V. STONE, of New York. Commander in Chief, in view of the variety of letters which have been read, in order to clear the matter as far as we may be able to do so, I move the reconsideration of the motion that places one of these communications into the committee on resolutions, and after that is acted upon, if the way is open, I would like to offer another motion.

Comrade THOMAS H. STRITCH, of New York. I want to state that a motion has been made and passed that all resolutions shall be passed over to the resolutions committee.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL P. TOWN. This is not a resolution.

Comrade GEORGE T. LEECH, of Maryland. I move that all of this be referred to the committee on resolutions in connection with the resolution already sent them.

Past Commander in Chief TOWN. It has never happened in the national encampment. The place for selecting the next place of meeting has always been decided by the members of the encampment without any reference to a committee. [Applause.] It seems to me that we comrades assembled here are perfectly competent to judge of this important matter where we should meet next year. Personally I have no fear but that the money appropriated by Congress will be devoted to the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, should we decide to go there. We must all remember that the departments are all getting smaller, particularly the Department of the Potomac and as has been read by one of the comrades here in a letter, he is confident that this money will be properly appropriated. And when we receive an invitation from the Congress of the United States, from the officials of the District of Columbia, to entertain the Grand Army of the Republic there, it seems to me that that is all-sufficient, and I hope that this question of deciding our next national encampment will be decided by the membership of this encampment.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES W. WILLETT. Comrades, I do not want to be misunderstood in this matter. As chairman of the committee on resolutions I do not want to pass upon this question. But you have a mixed-up proposition in this regard. I have information that there was an amendment of about three words made to that original bill that passed in Congress, and those three words were "or other purposes", or words to that effect. In other words, the \$15,000 in the first instance only provided for the police protection



and whatever governmental expense was attached to it, and did not apply to the expenses of the Grand Army of the Republic in their capacity as visitors. If, as a matter of fact, it was amended it would do no harm if there was a recommendation made to this encampment on investigation. But I assure you that as chairman of the committee on resolutions we do not covet the job of making the investigation. But you are entitled to the information that I have given you, and I call for a reading of the original bill.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I haven't got the original here.

Comrade HARDING I. MERRILL, of Kansas. Comrades, I want to say to you the original bill that was introduced into Congress by Mrs. Norton, the Congresswoman from New Jersey, said the appropriation was for \$11,000; \$1,000 of that appropriation was to go to the police to keep you fellows out of trouble. Now, comrades, I would like to ask that comrade from the Potomac that introduced that resolution, Is there any doubt but what the appropriation that has been signed by the President of the United States will be for the benefit of the care of the Grand Army of the Republic? If that is a fact, I move you at this time we accept the invitation to go to Washington in 1936, as the bill provided, from the 21st to the 27th of September. [Motion seconded.]

Past Commander in Chief JAMES E. JEWEL. Don't anybody have a copy of that bill?

Comrade MERRILL. Yes; I have a copy, and so has the secretary.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Let's see a copy of that bill.

Comrade MERRILL. I can go to my room and get it and I will go and get it.

Comrade A. J. RAWSON, of Colorado and Wyoming. There was a motion made that we accept the invitation to go to Washington, and it was seconded.

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. The motion was to this effect, that we accept or reject the invitation to go to Washington.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. I wish to make a motion as a substitute for all other motions pertaining to Washington, that all the correspondence and a true copy of the bill be referred to the resolutions committee to investigate tonight and report tomorrow morning at our first session as to the status of the condition of the meeting at Washington.

Comrade RAWSON. I am opposed to the motion. There has been a motion before the house.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. I move this as a substitute for all motions.

Comrade RAWSON. We do not want this examined by any committee. We want it passed by vote of this house. There has been a motion and a second.

Commander in Chief STACEY. There is a claim that there is a motion before the house, and seconded, that we accept——

Comrade CHARLES E. NASON, of Maine. There seems to be a very bad misunderstanding about this question the way it now stands. The committee on resolutions are not to decide this question in any way. They are going to investigate it and report to you tomorrow morning as a body of the whole whether to vote whether you will go to Washington or whether you won't.



Comrade RAWSON. I don't care. There was a motion made before the house and seconded.

Comrade NASON. It seems to me——

Comrade HENRY T. GREENWOOD, of Pennsylvania. I move to lay it on the table.

Comrade NASON. We want to find out if we have got any money in Washington to pay them before we go there. We don't know whether we are going to get any there or not. We want to investigate and find that out.

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion to refer this matter to the committee on resolutions to report in the morning to the body. Are you ready for the question? All in favor say "Aye." Contrary? (Carried.)

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. The reason this is referred to the resolutions committee is that there is such a mix-up we could not decide what to do. Therefore if you wait till tomorrow morning and have this presentation you can decide definitely, to your own benefit.

Commander in Chief STACEY. There was an \$11,000 appropriation, and I changed that to \$15,000 because I thought that would be about the difference between having an encampment here and in Washington. Now if they had not considered those things and didn't expect us to come there and use that money, why would they grant us that extra \$4,000?

A COMRADE. I move we adjourn.

Commander in Chief STACEY. If there is no other business before the meeting, possibly a motion to adjourn will be in order. They will report in the morning anyway.

Comrade GEORGE T. LEECH, of Maryland. I move the previous question on Judge Willett's resolution.

Commander in Chief STACEY. All in favor of the motion to adjourn will say "Aye." Contrary? (Carried.) We are adjourned until 9:30 tomorrow morning. (5:20 p. m.)

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1935, MORNING SESSION, 9:40 A. M.

Commander in Chief STACEY. We will have the invocation.

Chaplain in Chief J. KING GIBSON. Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Commander in Chief STACEY. We will listen to the reports of any committees that are ready to report.

Comrade IRA R. WILDMAN, of Connecticut. Commander in Chief and comrades, your committee to extend the felicitations of this encampment to the Ladies of the G. A. R. attended to their duties. They were most cordially received, and in turn they wished us to convey to this encampment their kind regards and best wishes for a successful encampment.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other committee?

Past Commander in Chief JAMES E. JEWEL. Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of our beloved Comrade Reese, past commander in chief, beg leave to make the following report [reading report, which will be found at page 231 of this journal].

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, if there is no objection to the report it is accepted and ordered filed.

Past Commander in Chief EDWIN J. FOSTER. Commander in Chief, I desire to report for the committee on address of the commander in chief [reading]:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

*To the Sixty-ninth National Encampment Grand Army of the Republic*

We, your committee appointed to report on the address of Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey, beg to report that we have carefully examined said address and find nothing in it to criticise. On the contrary, it chronicles the events of the past year in well-chosen language and reflects the painstaking care of the commander in chief in looking after the welfare and happiness of his comrades.

His conduct in office and his report are both in keeping with the high standards of the Grand Army of the Republic. His term of service has but emphasized his love for our order and his charming courtesy to all the comrades. He has truly endeared himself in our hearts.

Respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL P. TOWN.

EDWIN J. FOSTER.

SAMUEL R. VAN SANT.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, if there is no objection the report will be accepted and ordered filed.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL VAN SANT. I have a report of the memorial committee on the death of Past Commander in Chief Pilcher. I will ask Past Commander in Chief Foster to please read the report, as I am in poor condition to do so.

(The memorial was read by Past Commander in Chief Edwin J. Foster, and will be found at page 229 of this journal.)

Past Commander in Chief VAN SANT. Comrades, I move the adoption of the report.

Commander in Chief STACY. If there is no objection to this report, it will be accepted and ordered on file.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. Commander in Chief, a greetings committee from the Sons of Veterans.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, I have the pleasure of introducing to you Dr. Ralph Sheldon, of the Sons of Veterans.

Dr. RALPH SHELDON. Past Commander in Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mr. Commander in Chief, and members of the Grand Army, I do not intend to take up any of your time by telling you how delighted I am to be a messenger from the Sons of Veterans. That goes without saying. That is taken for granted. I have been a member so many years that if I were not delighted to be appointed to this committee I certainly would be an ingrate.

I am referring to the order of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. You gentlemen are the fathers of that organization, the fathers of its members. I can readily see that you men who are today present are going back to the days of the past. It has been said that we live in three ages—the past, the present, and the future, or in anticipation.



But it is only a step between today, the day in which you are living, and the future.

Memories are the sweetest things that come to our lives. You men have lived wonderful lives. You have been honest with yourselves. You have done your duty to the country and to the municipalities or the vicinities of which you are members—all of which has added to the luster of the name of the United States of America. We as your sons are proud of your records. We are proud of you as our fathers. We know as members of the order of Sons of Veterans that our particular father won the Civil War. There is no question about that in my mind that my father did more than any of the rest of you in winning that war. Why, he has told me so. Why, the battles that he fought single-handed. You have told your sons that, and we all believe it. You are big men in our eyes and you always will be, and you will always be big in the eyes of every child that comes in the future. "Backward, turn backward, and make us just a child for tonight", and that is the way it is with the memories which you gentlemen here today have.

We have some good men here on this committee. I am not going to take up any more of your time, except that I want to state this, that the Sons of Veterans are extending to you their greetings. We wish to aid and assist you wherever it is possible.

There is a picture across the water in one of the great cathedrals which I think represents more truly than any words that I can express my thought. It is a large painting. Soldiers are going into battle. A proud man, an officer, heads his troops. He is an old gentleman. He is bent over. He carries a sword, and that sword is tottering. But by his side is a young man representing as we do your sons, and as the man goes forward he totters and falls. But the son is there to catch him and pick him up and go on, go on forward with that sword, leading the troops that they might be led into victory. And that is what we want to do. We just want to assist you. We don't want anything else. We would like recognition as amounting to something more than just mere boys. Just forget that we are mere boys. I am as gray headed, or possibly more so, than some of you gentlemen. Just remember us now as men.

Gentlemen, I thank you, and again I convey to you the love, the respect, and esteem of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The next is H. W. Ameli, department commander of New York.

Mr. AMELI. Commander in chief, comrades: I am going to be very brief. I think Dr. Sheldon has covered all the greetings. I am merely an adjunct of this committee. But I do consider it a great privilege and honor to be invited to attend this your encampment, if just for a few moments. I want to assure you that we are constantly willing and able to carry on as you may direct us, and I do want to extend to you the greetings of our encampment and the respect of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Next I will introduce to you Past Department Commander A. M. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL. Commander in chief and comrades of the Grand Army: I come here this morning as the Son of a Union Veteran of the Civil War and to carry the regrets of my father who is your national chief of staff, that he is unable to be here as he has been



sick for 5 months. But he says to tell you that he thinks he will be here at your next encampment. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to be here. I want you to know that the Sons of Veterans will do anything we can to aid and assist the Grand Army. Thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrade Pounder, will you respond?

Junior Vice Commander in Chief GEORGE H. POUNDER. I am truly glad to hear the expressions of respect and love of these young men for their fathers and for our fathers, and I know that the thought that we may be allowed to carry on through them and through others, allies of the Grand Army of the Republic, is very pleasing. We are getting to a time when we have had not only our three score years and ten but two times ten on top of that; and we are very glad to have these young men come in and tell of their experience and of their intentions to carry on the work that we have carried on in the past and to uphold the principles that we have been trying to uphold. I thank you.

(The delegation retired, the encampment standing.)

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other committees to report?

Comrade IRA R. WILDMAN, of Connecticut. I don't know if Comrade Ambrose has a supplementary report from the Ladies of the G. A. R. He was the recipient of a great deal of love, coming from the same town that the national president does. I see he has a paper in his hand, but I don't know——

Comrade THOMAS AMBROSE, of Illinois. I was not fortunate enough to be here when you made your report as our chairman, but I suppose you did it in your usual eloquent manner. I have nothing to add except to say that it was a wonderful aggregation of beauty and talent. I felt as did the old author who once expressed it, "I would that they all had but one mouth that I might kiss it."

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other committees to report?

Past Commander in Chief JAMES W. WILLETT. Commander in chief, the committee on resolutions will have a report in a few minutes when the stenographer gets through with transcribing it. I am sorry, but we were in session until midnight last night, and I had a couple of hours after that to prepare the report. I got a stenographer at 8 o'clock this morning and she is at work on it now, with the understanding that she will bring it as soon as it is prepared.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other reports while we are waiting?

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL P. TOWN. I have a report that I would like to have the reporter read.

(Whereupon the shorthand reporter, at the request of Comrade Town, read the memorial to Past Commander in Chief Louis F. Arensberg, which memorial will be found at page 230 of this Journal.)

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, I think it would be quite proper for us all to stand for a minute in memory of the great loss that this Order has suffered by his death. (The encampment rises.)

Senior Vice Commander in Chief HARDING I. MERRILL. Commander in chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I am asked to request that the assistant adjutants general have full reports of the comrades in attendance and turn those reports in to



our national secretary, Miss Flood. It will be published in the papers and give you all the information. This is a full report from the great State of Iowa, "where the tall corn grows," and I am asking Kansas and all the other adjutants if you haven't a full report to please make one out at noon and turn it in this afternoon to Katharine Flood. I thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, we have an invitation from the State of Pennsylvania in regard to the Diamond Jubilee Anniversary at Gettysburg in 1938. It seems, of course, some time before we meet there at Gettysburg, and undoubtedly many of us will have passed on. But the great State of Pennsylvania furnished a great number of heroes for all the wars, and it is up to you whether we accept of this invitation or not. It seems as if it would be perfectly proper for us to accept of it, as the State of Pennsylvania will be our host and will care for us in many ways. I will pass this on to the reporter to read such portions as he thinks may be pertinent to the subject.

(Portions of the following communications were then read to the encampment by the shorthand reporter.)

JULY 9, 1935.

Commander ALFRED S. STACEY,

*Grand Army of the Republic, Elbridge, New York.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER: It affords me genuine pleasure to extend to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, through you, a most sincere invitation to participate in a reunion of the Blue and Gray veterans in Gettysburg, Pa., in 1938.

At the 1935 session of the Pennsylvania legislature an act was unanimously passed approving such a reunion. The Hon. George H. Earle, Governor of Pennsylvania, heartily endorsed the movement and emphasized that the reunion, which will no doubt be the last one to be held, must be of Nation-wide significance.

Pennsylvania's legislature appropriated \$15,000 and authorized the appointment of a commission to make plans and preparations for the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg and the reunion.

Governor Earle has appointed State Senator John S. Rice as chairman of the Pennsylvania State Commission. Chairman Rice, absent in the West, has directed me, as his secretary, to extend the invitation for your consideration at the annual encampment in Grand Rapids, Mich., in September.

Recently the Associated Press quoted you as favoring a final reunion. We feel that the reunion should be held in Gettysburg upon the diamond jubilee observance of the Battle of Gettysburg.

Such a reunion would unquestionably swell into the most beautiful "peace time" gesture ever offered and it would be an opportunity for you brave and courageous comrades to hand down to posterity a most noble and splendid heritage, an example in the true spirit of American patriotism.

I feel certain that you, Commander, feel personally interested and I sincerely hope that the G. A. R. will approve the plan.

The Pennsylvania State Commission has assurance of whole-hearted cooperation from the Federal Congress.

I will appreciate an expression from you.

Thanking you for your interest in this matter and with best wishes for your continued health and prosperity, I am

Cordially yours,

PAUL L. ROY,

*Secretary for Senator John S. Rice, Chairman, Pennsylvania State Commission.*

GETTYSBURG, PA., July 20, 1935.

Commander ALFRED S. STACEY,

*Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic,  
Elbridge, New York*

Whereas the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, through its chief executive, Gov. George H. Earle, and the Pennsylvania State Commission has extended

an invitation to the United Confederate Veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic to meet in a final joint reunion; and

Whereas the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg is to be observed in 1938;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the borough council of the town of Gettysburg, Pa., extend a most cordial invitation to the United Confederate Veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic to approve and accept the invitation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to meet in joint final reunion in Gettysburg, Pa., in 1938.

Be it further resolved, that this invitation-resolution be read at the 1935 reunion of the United Confederate Veterans at Amarillo, Tex., in September, and the Grand Army of the Republic in Grand Rapids, Mich., in September.

C. RAY RUPP, *President*,  
ROSS C. MYERS, *Secretary*,  
WILBUR J. STALLSMITH, *Burgess*.

GETTYSBURG, PA., August 8, 1935.

Mr. ALFRED E. STACEY.

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*Elbridge, N. Y.*

MY DEAR MR. STACEY: As secretary to Senator John S. Rice, chairman of the Pennsylvania State Commission, for the proposed Blue and Gray Reunion in Gettysburg in 1938, I will attend the reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic at Grand Rapids, Mich., in September.

May I have the honor and privilege of briefly addressing your reunion? I have several important messages which I believe will be of interest to you and your veterans, and I will appreciate any courtesy you may extend me.

Enclosed is a self-addressed stamped envelope for your reply.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Respectfully,

PAUL L. ROY, *Secretary*.

GETTYSBURG, PA., August 9, 1935.

Mr. ALFRED STACEY,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*Elbridge, N. Y.*

MY DEAR MR. STACY: I want to extend to you and the members of the Grand Army of the Republic a most cordial invitation to meet in joint reunion in Gettysburg, Pa., in 1938, with the United Confederate Veterans.

I want to assure you and your comrades that Gettysburg will extend every known hospitable facility to make your visit here most comfortable, enjoyable and pleasant. I will personally do everything within my command to serve you and your comrades.

I will appreciate very much if you will convey the contents of this letter to your comrades when you meet in encampment in Grand Rapids, Mich., in September.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes for the success of your encampment, I am,

Cordially,

WILBUR J. STALLSMITH, *Burgess*.

GETTYSBURG, PA., August 13, 1935.

Mr. ALFRED E. STACEY.

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*Elbridge, N. Y.*

MY DEAR MR. STACEY: The board of directors of the First National Bank of Gettysburg, Pa., recognizing the historic significance of a joint reunion of the United Confederate Veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic at Gettysburg, Pa., in 1938, and the indelible patriotic impression such a reunion will make upon the peoples of this Nation, wish to extend a most cordial and sincere invitation through you to your comrades to approve the invitation of the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to meet here in 1938.

The entire world will be visibly impressed by such a reunion. It will be of unquestionable worth in future years, when history records that you brave and courageous heroes, who engaged in combat, assembled 75 years after a titanic struggle.



In my opinion such a reunion will be the personification of the true spirit of Americanism—a spirit that is much needed in these trying times, a spirit that will so impress the younger generation that never again will this great Nation engage in combat brother with brother and that America and these United States will stand as a bulwark of peace, honor, patriotism, and good fellowship.

I sincerely trust, my dear Mr. Stacey, that you and your brave comrades will favorably consider this and other invitations and that we shall have the privilege and honor of being your host in 1938.

With kindest personal regards and with every good wish for the success of your reunion, I am,

Respectfully yours,

EDMUND W. THOMAS, *President.*

GETTYSBURG, PA., *August 29, 1935.*

HON. ALFRED E. STACEY,

*Commander Grand Army of the Republic,*

*Elbridge, New York.*

DEAR COMMANDER STACEY: On behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I am writing you at this time to urge that the annual reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic be held in Gettysburg in 1938, in conjunction with the seventy-fifth anniversary celebration of the Battle of Gettysburg, which will take place at that time.

In 1913 the Grand Army of the Republic and the United Confederate Veterans held their reunion in Gettysburg, in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the famous battle. I understand that at that time your organization was invited by the late Hon. John K. Tener, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to meet on the same historic battlegrounds in 1938 for the seventy-fifth anniversary.

I therefore wish to take this opportunity, as Governor of Pennsylvania, to cordially renew the invitation which was made to the Grand Army of the Republic at that time. It is highly probable that the United Confederate Veterans will meet in Gettysburg in 1938, to commemorate the occasion, and I think it would be very fitting if the Grand Army of the Republic were to meet there, too.

I can assure you that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and all of its citizens would be delighted, and feel highly honored, to welcome and greet the Grand Army of the Republic in 1938.

With best wishes, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

GEORGE H. EARLE.

Commander in Chief STACEY. One of these letters hopes that the Grand Army will hold their reunion at that date. Now, comrades, it seems to me that we have no business to go to work and tie up this organization for their annual reunion, but should leave it to the comrades when the time comes to decide when and where they shall hold their encampment. But the invitation to Gettysburg I am very favorably inclined to, because it is to be given under the same terms as the one that we had before. It is up to you, comrades. What do you think of it?

Comrade MERRILL. Commander in chief, comrades of the Grand Army: I move the acceptance of this invitation from the great loyal State of Pennsylvania, subject to the attendance of the comrades that may wish to attend that meeting. The Grand Army of the Republic would not be in full accord unless they accepted that invitation from Pennsylvania, and I make that motion subject to the comrades who are able to attend that meeting in 1938 in July. Is there a second to it?

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any second?

Comrade JOHN MAXWELL, of New York. I second the motion.

Comrade Z. T. BRYANT, of Oregon. I came pretty near to death from that emblem of treason. I will never march under it nor with it, and I don't think that a man that defends it is loyal to our flag.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other remarks?

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. I have no objection to in the future going to Gettysburg at some time, but I raise the point of order that this encampment has absolutely no power or authority to fix the date or place of the encampment for 1938. [Applause.] That is the business of the encampment in 1937, and you have no right to forestall the action that they will take. [Applause.]

Comrade CHARLES E. NASON, of Maine. Commander in chief and comrades: There seems to be a very great misunderstanding about this question of the reunion at Gettysburg. It is not an encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, nor anything to do with the Grand Army of the Republic. It is a reunion, and you are invited to come there as individuals of this encampment if you choose to go. The word "encampment" is not used anyway. Our encampment cannot be controlled by anyone outside of our own members. We decide that as we see fit. We shall decide here today where we will meet in 1936, and at that meeting we will decide where in 1937, and so on. I wish that every comrade here could understand that this question has nothing to do with any encampment. It is a reunion, and it is up to you individually to go or not. [Applause.]

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. Commander in chief and comrades of the Grand Army: What you have just heard is a fact. I speak to you as one of the prominent active participants in the reunion in 1913, and it was the proudest event of my life. Things have changed. There has grown into this country an element entirely favorable to the proposition of a national reunion of the Grand Army and the Confederates. Therefore, as a statement you have just listened to, it becomes a reunion, and I understand the sentiment of the comrades from Pennsylvania is to this effect. Leave it entirely to the Governor; leave it entirely to this convention whether we accept or not.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. Now then, I move that this matter be postponed for further action by the incoming administration. If I can get a second I want to talk on that subject and to inform the comrades concerning this matter. (Motion seconded.)

Comrade A. J. RAWSON, of Colorado and Nevada. There was a motion made and seconded previous to this motion. I call for the previous motion.

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have the floor.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. I call for the consideration of the substitute motion, and I am here to talk to it. In support of it I want to call the attention of this body to the fact that I don't know what you have experienced. I have received clandestine newspaper items, not knowing whence they came, and an intimation from a southern source that the Confederate soldiers surviving, contemplate carrying the Stars and Bars on that occasion. And I for one, descending from a southern family divided during the late unpleasantness, absolutely refuse to attend on the invitation of the Governor unless there shall be negotiations through the national department of the Grand Army of the Republic relative to the question of the carrying of that Rebel banner at the parade. [Applause.]



Why, they have sent me, and I have them in my room, clandestine articles as regards the standing and request of General Clem, published in central Iowa, with his uniform, setting forth the fact that he wants to see joint meetings. And then perhaps in the next mail I received a clandestine item as regards the Stars and Bars and the representative of the Southern Confederacy survivors who told us when we were talking about a reunion once before, through his secretary he said and sent back the word, "Tell them to go to hell", and I responded when that question was raised to me by a correspondent of the Chicago Tribune that it was time now for us to turn the tables and say that unless our Confederate soldiers surviving should say and acknowledge that they would not expect us at the Gettysburg affair to march under the Stars and Bars or follow it, that it was their turn to go to hell. [Applause.] And if you will get the Sunday Chicago Tribune you will read a column of it in the left-hand corner on the first page.

Now, there is not any one of you comrades that have more of the southern blood, and more favorable, than I do. My father was a Kentuckian. My grandfather owned a large plantation at Willett Landing, Meade County, Ky., on the Ohio River. I am as well bred as any of them. But he was opposed to slavery and emigrated to the military tract in Illinois, and when the Civil War broke out the other brothers followed that were opposed to slavery—and there were only nine boys. They divided five and four. Two of them were killed at Resaca, one on each side. The northern lads that emigrated to the military tract were every one opposed to slavery. Therefore it illy becomes this southern element to raise the personal hue and cry against me that they have carried ever since the Cincinnati encampment and I don't want to see my comrades misled in any respect. I do think that inasmuch as there has been that great degree of miscellaneous publication and talk about the discussion at Amarillo at the last Confederate National meeting this month I do not feel that we ought to deliberately accept this invitation at this time without our official family negotiating with the Confederate survivors as regards the carrying of the Stars and Bars.

Comrade Nason makes the discrimination that this is an invitation from the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania. At the beginning of this encampment, before we had a session, there was an emissary here who claimed that he represented the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania, and he made an appointment at headquarters with those of us that were present here at that time. And I and the secretary, Miss Flood—I speak by the card, for he made the engagement with her, that we should have a meeting at headquarters at a certain hour. We went there, several of us officers, and stayed there for two and a half or three hours and he never showed up. Now what does that mean? Either he was entirely an imposter and a fraud or else he went back on the arrangement which he solemnly made himself pertaining to or representing himself to be an emissary or advance guard representing the Governor. I cast no reflection upon the Governor. I want caution, and I think under the circumstances that prudence requires the postponement of this matter to the incoming administration. That is my motion. (Motion seconded.)



Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, I will admit that I was wrong in allowing this discussion after Comrade Nason had offered a motion and it was seconded, which brought it before you for action. Are there any remarks to be made upon Comrade Nason's motion?

Comrade RAWSON. I call for the previous question.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. This is only an invitation to the comrades that wish to attend that reunion. It has nothing to do with and is not binding on the Grand Army of the Republic. Don't you recognize the comrades here from Pennsylvania from whom that invitation was given, and my motion was to accept the invitation subject to the comrades that wished to attend that reunion. There is nothing binding on you. You don't have to walk under the old rebel flag. You don't have to take them by the hand. There is but one flag and that is Old Glory. I say that it is up to you, comrades.

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE of Pennsylvania. Commander in chief, comrades of the Sixty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, there is a question before you that vitally concerns the comrades of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania Department at the present time knows nothing of this invitation except what has been published in the newspapers. Our department has been awaiting an opportunity to meet the representative of the Governor at this encampment and question him as to the authority of his stating what was published, "You can carry the Confederate flag where and when you please at that reunion." I am not in a position to speak either for the Governor or his representative, but in this encampment I did propose, and so notified the Department of Pennsylvania from which I hail, that when that representative made the statement I was going to ask him if that invitation with the qualification of carrying the rebel flag came direct from the Governor, and if so we would have treated it accordingly, because it did not come from there. The representative would have to assume the responsibility that he did it for himself, and that is the question that Pennsylvania wants to discuss right here, and Pennsylvania feels that if a question is brought up here to march under the Confederate flag that by their vote they will bury that flag so deep in the bottom of the sea that no diving bell will ever be invented to bring it up again. [Applause.] That is the way the Department of Pennsylvania feels, and that is the way every true living comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic feels.

The Confederate flag represents in the eyes of the historian nothing whatever except an emblem under which a misguided population tried to sever this country, to destroy the United States of America, and that flag must be set aside. You comrades, we must extend a welcome hand to every Confederate soldier who has taken again the oath of allegiance to the United States. They were misled. That is all you can say to them. But they were as brave Americans as the North ever brought forth. They were all Americans that fought in that war, and for that reason we feel that we ought to extend the welcome hand to Americans—not southerners, but Americans.

The United States flag represents everything that is needed to establish a country. The Stripes originally did not represent the States. They represented the Colonies in existence at that time.



And on the blue field there was the Union Jack showing that the authority of Great Britain waved over these Colonies. But the patriots of 1776 denied that sovereignty for this reason; it was taxation without representation. And the original stripes were used in that flag. But on their blue field came the stars of the Colonies as States at that time, and afterwards every star meant an addition.

Comrades, it is for us to say today that the light of those shining stars shall not be dimmed, and that when the last days of the Grand Army of the Republic come along there will be such a halo of the sunset of our days that no painter will ever be able to portray its beauty upon canvas. [Applause.] It can only remain in the memory of those who tried to preserve the United States of America. [Applause.]

Comrade CHARLES E. NASON of Maine. Commander in chief and comrades, I think we ought to appreciate the patriotic talk that has been made here. But we are here to transact the business of the Grand Army of the Republic for this session. The question before this audience now is an invitation for a social gathering which has been extended to our organization by the Governor of Pennsylvania. Do you want to go or don't you? Flags have got nothing to do with it. You won't be asked to march behind a rebel flag unless you want to and I don't think anybody wants to. It is a matter of courtesy on the part of the Grand Army of the Republic whether they turn down or accept and acknowledge the invitation of the Governor of Pennsylvania. (Calls for the question.)

Comrade J. G. BYINGTON of Kansas. That invitation comes here to us as a citizens' invitation. But if we endorse that and it goes out to the world at large that the Grand Army endorsed walking under the rebel flag, then the world knows that we endorsed it.

Comrade NASON. We are not asked to endorse anything of the kind. We are not asked to endorse anything. We are simply asked to accept or reject an invitation for a social gathering.

Comrade BYINGTON. It goes to the world endorsed by this encampment; yes or no.

Comrade IRA R. WILDMAN of Connecticut. I think there are many comrades in this encampment that can hear the echo of the bugle call at 9 o'clock, April 9, 1865, at Appomattox and the reunion of the Blue and Gray that took place there. We all joined together and sang the songs of "Home Sweet Home." I was the custodian for many years of the battleflag of the Tenth Louisiana, of the Louisiana Tigers, annihilated at Cold Harbor in 1864. Twelve years ago I went before the encampment of the Department of Connecticut and asked what I should do with it. There was a unanimous vote, if there was a surviving comrade of the Tenth Louisiana to return it to him. I took it up with the commander in chief of the Confederate Veterans' Association—not a surviving comrade living. I received an invitation from the commander of the Confederate veterans of New Orleans to return it to New Orleans. I corresponded with him and asked him how to return it. "Come yourself personally. We want to show you what we think of the gesture." I went before the Connecticut Legislature and laid the old flag on the rostrum of the speaker. I stated the history of its capture. I read the letter from the Confederate veterans of New Orleans. I



asked for an appropriation to take a committee of my comrades with me. They passed the resolution viva voce to appropriate \$1,000 for me to take that old flag back, and they gave three hearty cheers. Comrade Abbott is the only survivor of the committee here with us today. We went to New Orleans with the flag, and as I presented it, I spread it over the rostrum in the Memorial Hall and told of its history and of its capture. And as I presented it to James Diggins, the youngest Confederate officer at 19 years old, who stood with me with his hand around me and clasping my other hand, he said, "Comrade, I receive this flag from you as a memento of memories, nevermore to be flaunted, but to be placed in the archives of this Memorial Hall as a lesson to the future generations." He handed it to the custodian, and as he did so Old Glory from the heavens swung down behind us. I have kept up correspondence with him. I have some in my hand. I don't want to take your time reading it, yet. (Cries of "no" and calls for the question.)

Comrade THOMAS AMBROSE of Illinois. Will you kindly state the question before the house so that we will know intelligently upon what we are voting?

Junior Vice Commander in Chief GEORGE H. POUNDER. I move that we vote on Judge Willett's motion.

Comrade GEORGE H. HOWARD of New York. I move the previous question.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The previous question has been moved and seconded.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. On what?

Commander in Chief STACEY. All those in favor of that say "aye."

Comrade CHARLES E. NASON of Maine. That this encampment accept the invitation that its members may attend that reunion in a body.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. I made my motion there as a substitute, and it is seconded, and it is this——

Commander in Chief STACEY. The previous question has been moved and seconded.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. I think there is a misunderstanding here.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrade Willett, the previous question has been moved and seconded and cannot be debated.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. I am not debating it. I say I think there is a misunderstanding here. Comrade Nason says that he would accept the substitute that it be postponed, and we do not want to compromise either the Department of Pennsylvania or the national department of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Commander in chief and comrades, the question is whether you will accept the invitation subject to any comrade that wants to go down there in July 1938. It is nothing binding on the Grand Army of the Republic, but it is a courtesy to our comrades from the great State of Pennsylvania. You understand it is not binding on anyone to go.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, the question is now on the postponement of this matter to the next administration. All those in favor of that say "aye." Contrary the same sign. Carried. (Cries of "No.") It is carried.

The committee on resolutions will now report.



## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander in Chief JAMES W. WILLETT. Commander in chief, your committee on resolutions is ready to make a report.

Sundry resolutions and matters pertaining to the business of the Grand Army of the Republic were submitted to your Committee on Resolutions for disposal and determined as follows:

First. Your committee, in conformity with instructions from this encampment, investigated the matter pertaining to the 1936 encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic and found that the present administration has procured an invitation from the Congress of the United States to hold our 1936 national encampment in the Capital City of Washington, D. C., the detailed history of which, in correspondence and personal negotiations with officers of the Government, was all explained to your committee by competent persons, and they, the committee, found from the copies of records in the premises, that several bills were considered by Congress, resulting in the passage and approval of Public Resolution No. 40, Seventy-fourth Congress, attached hereto, as follows, to wit:

Now you will have to bear with me because it is important that you should hear this resolution that was adopted by Congress in detail. [Reading]

[PUBLIC RES. No. 40, 74TH CONG., H. J. RES. 201]

## JOINT RESOLUTION

Giving authority to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to make special regulations for the occasion of the Seventieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, to be held in the District of Columbia in the month of September 1936, and for other purposes, incident to said encampment.

Whereas at the close of the Civil War the Grand Army of the Republic marched up historic Pennsylvania Avenue while the spirited tramp, tramp, tramp of their feet became the Nation's marching song, and again in 1915, when their ranks were beginning to thin, the Capital City once more welcomed the Boys in Blue as their footsteps again resounded to the old battle tunes; and

Whereas the ranks of the 300,000 have dwindled away to hundreds, most of whom are in their ninetieth year; and

Whereas it is the greatest desire of their hearts to hold their seventieth national encampment in the Capital of their country in 1936, and march, for the last time, up Pennsylvania Avenue; and it should be our pleasure and privilege to invite them here and show respect to the last of our Civil War veterans, who, as our President in his last message to them said, "have lived to see the end of sectionalism and the final healing of the scars of conflict and the achievement of a true unity of national purposes:" Therefore be it—

Comrade GEORGE W. HOWE of Michigan. I move that the further reading of those details be postponed.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. How will you be informed then?

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized and directed to make such special regulations for the occasion of the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, which will take place in the District of Columbia from September 21 to September 27, 1936, as they shall deem advisable for the preservation of public order and the protection of life and property, to be in force 1 week prior to said encampment, during said encampment, and 1 week subsequent thereto. Such special regulations shall be published in one or more of the daily newspapers of the District of Columbia, and no penalty prescribed for the violation of such regulations shall be enforced until 5 days after such publication. Any person violating any of the aforesaid regulations or the aforesaid schedule of fares



shall, upon conviction thereof in the police court of the said District, be liable for such offense to a fine not to exceed \$100, and in default of payment of such fine to imprisonment in the workhouse (or jail) of said District for not longer than 60 days. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its approval, and the sum of \$15,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, payable from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated and from the revenues of the District of Columbia, in equal parts, is hereby appropriated to enable the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this joint resolution, \$1,000 of which shall be available for the construction, maintenance, and operation of public comfort stations and information booths, under the direction of said Commissioners.

SEC. 2. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized to permit the committee on illumination of the citizens' executive committee for the entertainment of the Seventieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to stretch suitable conductors, with sufficient supports wherever necessary, for the purpose of effecting the said illumination within the District of Columbia: *Provided*, That the said conductors shall not be used for the conveying of electrical currents after September 27, 1936, and shall, with their supports, be fully and entirely removed from the streets and avenues of the said city of Washington on or before the 16th of October 1936: *Provided further*, That the stretching and removing of the said wires shall be under the supervision of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, who shall see that the provisions of this resolution are enforced; that all needful precautions are taken for the protection of the public; and that the pavement of any street, avenue, or alley disturbed is replaced in as good condition as before entering upon the work herein authorized: *Provided further*, That no expense or damage on account of or due to stretching, operation, or removing of the said temporary overhead conductors shall be incurred by the United States or the District of Columbia: *And provided further*, That if it shall be necessary to erect wires for illumination purposes over any park or reservation in the District of Columbia that the work of erection and removal of said wires shall be under the supervision of the official in charge of said park or reservation.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy be, and they are hereby, authorized to loan to the chairman of the subcommittee in charge of street decorations, or his successor in said office, for the purpose of decorating the streets of the city of Washington, District of Columbia, on the occasion of the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, 1936, such of the United States ensigns, flags (except battle flags), signal numbers, and so forth, belonging to the Government of the United States, as in their judgment may be spared and are not in use by the Government at the time of the encampment. The loan of the said ensigns, flags, signal numbers, and so forth, to said chairman shall not take place prior to the 11th day of September and shall be returned by him by the 16th of October 1936.

SEC. 4. That for the protection and return of said ensigns, flags, signal numbers, and so forth, the said chairman, or his successor in office, shall execute and deliver to the President of the United States, or to such officer as he may designate, a satisfactory bond in the penalty of \$50,000, to secure just payment for any loss or damage to said ensigns, flags, and signal numbers not necessarily incident to the use specified.

SEC. 5. That the Superintendent of National Capital Parks, subject to the approval of the Director of National Park Service, is hereby authorized to grant permits to the citizens' executive committee for the entertainment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the use of any reservation or other public spaces in the city of Washington on the occasion of the seventieth national encampment, in the month of September 1936, which, in his opinion, will inflict no serious or permanent injuries upon such reservations or public spaces, or statuary therein; and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may designate for such and other purposes on the occasion aforesaid such streets, avenues, and sidewalks in the said city of Washington as they may deem proper and necessary: *Provided, however*, That all stands and platforms that may be erected on the public spaces aforesaid shall be under the supervision of the said citizens' executive committee and in accordance with plans and designs to be approved by the Architect of the Capitol, the Commissioner of Public Buildings and Grounds, and the building inspector of the District of Columbia: *And provided further*, That any such buildings, parks, reservations, and other



public spaces which shall be used or occupied by the erection of stands or other structures, or otherwise shall be promptly restored to their condition before such occupancy, and the said citizens' executive committee shall execute and deliver to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia a satisfactory bond with a penalty of \$10,000 to secure such prompt restoration and to indemnify the District of Columbia for all damage of any kind whatsoever sustained by reason of any such use or occupancy.

SEC. 6. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to loan to the chairman of the medical department of the Seventieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, or his successor in said office for the purpose of caring for the sick, injured, and infirm on the occasion of the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in the month of September 1936, such hospital tents and camp appliances and other necessities, hospital furniture, and utensils of all descriptions, ambulances, drivers, stretchers, attendants, and Red Cross flags and poles belonging to the Government of the United States as in his judgment may be spared and are not in use by the Government at the time of the encampment: *Provided*, That the said chairman, or his successor in said office, shall indemnify the War Department for any loss to such hospital tents and appliances as aforesaid not necessarily incident to such use.

SEC. 7. The Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia is authorized and directed to establish a special schedule of fares, applicable to public conveyances in said District, during the period aforesaid.

Approved, July 18, 1935.

That the foregoing resolution speaks for itself, and a two-thirds majority of your committee recommended the endorsement and acceptance of same by this encampment.

I submit that the matter is left to your action. Your committee examined into all of the details, and I have read the entire bill, and I submit that it is now here ready for the action of this encampment separate and distinct from the balance of this report. A motion would be in order one way or the other.

Comrade JOHN E. THORN, of Idaho. I make a motion that we accept the recommendations of the committee.

Comrade A. J. RAWSON, of Colorado and Wyoming. I move you that we accept the invitation to go to the city of Washington in 1936. [Motion seconded.]

Comrade CHARLES E. NASON, of Maine. There were three invitations extended to this encampment to hold your next encampment, and in fairness to those inviting you to their several places I move you that the roll call of these departments be made and let each representative here vote for the place where he wants to go—Washington, Portland, Maine, and Hartford, Conn.

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion that the roll be called.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. May I suggest—if you comrades will be still I will make a suggestion that ought to promote action. I would suggest that in this connection that all other places or bids for the next national encampment should be made and that the entire encampment should determine which one of them they would accept. We have only reported the facts, and it is the same as though the District of Columbia through Congress had given you one invitation. Here is an invitation from another locality, Hartford, Conn. Here is an invitation from Maine. Put them all up and determine which one we will accept.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other remarks? If not, it is closed.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief HARDING I. MERRILL. I move the roll now be called on that question, whether we go to Washington or not.

Commander in Chief STACEY. All those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary? (It is carried.) The roll will be called.

Comrade IRA R. WILDMAN, of Connecticut. I submit that it has always been the policy of this encampment not to accept any invitation anywhere without it was endorsed by the department where we are going to go. The Department of the Potomac don't want you there.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. That is the thing for the comrades to decide.

The roll of departments was then called by the senior vice commander in chief with the following result:

Department	Washing- ton	Portland	Hartford
California and Nevada.....	12	-----	-----
Colorado and Wyoming.....	7	-----	-----
Connecticut.....	-----	-----	10
Florida.....	2	-----	-----
Georgia and South Carolina.....	1	-----	-----
Idaho.....	4	-----	-----
Illinois.....	6	5	6
Indiana.....	11	1	-----
Iowa.....	16	-----	-----
Kansas.....	15	-----	-----
Kentucky.....	4	-----	-----
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	1	1	-----
Maine.....	-----	16	-----
Maryland.....	-----	-----	2
Massachusetts.....	6	-----	4
Michigan.....	15	-----	-----
Minnesota.....	3	1	-----
Nebraska.....	2	-----	1
New Hampshire.....	2	-----	-----
New Jersey.....	2	-----	2
New York.....	21	-----	2
North Dakota.....	3	-----	-----
Ohio.....	15	-----	-----
Oregon.....	2	-----	-----
Pennsylvania.....	8	2	2
South Dakota.....	2	-----	-----
Tennessee.....	1	-----	-----
Utah.....	2	-----	-----
Vermont.....	2	-----	-----
Virginia and North Carolina.....	1	-----	-----
Washington and Alaska.....	2	1	1
West Virginia.....	5	-----	-----
Wisconsin.....	1	-----	6
On platform.....	6	1	4

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, the vote as registered is Hartford, 40, Portland, 28, Washington 180. Comrades, I would declare that Washington is the choice of the encampment as the place for holding the 1936 encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Past Commander in Chief Willett continued reading the report of the Committee on Resolutions, as follows:



Second. That the Department of Kansas presented a bill for consideration for the allowance of pensions to Civil War widows, which was amended by the committee and passed by a unanimous vote, which as amended reads as follows, to wit:

That Congress be petitioned to pass a bill providing that all widows of Civil War veterans, married prior to June 1, 1915, receive a pension of \$40 per month and when they reach the age of 70 years that pension automatically increase to \$50 a month.

Third. That the Kansas delegation submitted a resolution of opposition to marching under the Confederate flag at any joint meeting of the two armies, and the committee laid the same on the table because it is premature at this time.

Fourth. That the Department of Illinois presented a combined resolution for the construction of a memorial monument at "Old Salem" near Springfield, Ill., at a cost of \$200,000, soliciting the financial aid of the national Grand Army of the Republic, and the committee, in view of their lack of funds, could not render financial assistance in the premises and voted to lay the petition on the table.

Fifth. The Department of Illinois, Grand Army of the Republic, submitted a resolution as regards loyalty and the enforcement of the letter and spirit of the Constitution for consideration, and your committee adopted same in words and figures, to wit:

Whereas every holder of high office in the service of the United States Government is obliged to take oath to preserve and defend the Constitution of the United States: and

Whereas there is an apparent disregard of this oath of office on the part of certain representatives of our Government, tending to create disrespect toward this document prepared by sturdy patriots with clear vision of the future need of the Nation they founded; and

Whereas the Constitution has for 150 years, with few changes, been adequate as the basic law of our country: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we, the Grand Army of the Republic, in national encampment assembled, at Grand Rapids, Mich., this 12th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand and nine hundred and thirty-five, reiterate and reaffirm our continued faith in the Constitution for whose preservation we offered our lives in 1861-65; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we go on record as opposed to the tendency to belittle this document as "out of date" which we and all other thinking citizens know it is not; and be it still further

*Resolved*, That we call upon all patriotic citizens to do their utmost to instill the love of the Constitution in our younger citizens, and to strive to have as our representatives in office only those men and women who will conscientiously promise to "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States."

Sixth. The following resolution was submitted by the Department of Ohio, and your committee adopted the same as follows, to wit:

"Within a fortnight we shall be celebrating the one hundred and forty-eighth anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States. The success of the armies of the Union in 1865 resulted in three amendments to that immortal and incomparable document. The thirteenth amendment freed the slaves; the fourteenth amendment gave the slaves and their descendents equal civil rights, and the fifteenth amendment conferred on them political rights. The fourteenth amendment also provided that 'neither the United States nor any State shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations, and claims shall be held illegal and void.'

"By virtue of this amendment the \$15,000 bonds of the Confederacy became worthless and its currency disappeared from circulation and found its way into the hands of relic hunters. The fourteenth amendment had direct and immediate application to the War of 1861-65. That war is therefore defined by the Constitution as an 'insurrection or rebellion.' It was not and could not be a war between the States. The States never had the power under the Constitution to wage war against the United States.

"We therefore appeal to all who shall have a part in the celebration of the one hundred and forty-eighth anniversary of the Constitution to bear in mind the fourteenth amendment and to refrain from calling the Civil War the War



Between the States. It was a rebellion which by reason of its magnitude became a civil war. True history, with a proper regard for the Constitution, cannot designate it anything else."

Seventh. The department of New York submitted a resolution defining the status of all members of the Grand Army of the Republic in good standing and granting each and all of them in their several States and in national encampment the right of admission and participation in all encampments and vested with the right to vote thereat; and the committee, in view of the fact that the Grand Army of the Republic must soon revise its organic law to comply with the current requirements of the present and future, at which time the subject matter should be considered, the resolution is postponed for future action.

Eighth. The following resolution presented by the Department of Ohio is hereby adopted by the committee, to wit:

Whereas Bills H. R. 8561 have been introduced in Congress by Representative John J. McSwain of South Carolina and referred to the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures, H. R. 8560 authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a medal commemorative of the valor and integrity of Jefferson Davis, to be given to elementary schools of South Carolina, and H. R. 8561 authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a medal commemorative of the valor and integrity of General Robert Edward Lee, with provisions similar to those of H. R. 8560; and

Whereas Jefferson Davis and Robert E. Lee headed a movement to destroy this Nation, and armed over a million men in endeavoring to accomplish this purpose; and

Whereas the authorizing of medals commemorative of Davis and Lee would lead the children of South Carolina to believe that these enemies of our Government are to be emulated; and,

Whereas the passage of these bills would be against public policy and public good; Now, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we, the Grand Army of the Republic, in the sixty-ninth national encampment, do hereby protest against the enactment into law of bills H. R. 8560 and H. R. 8561, and we do hereby urge that the passage of such legislation be vigorously opposed;

And we direct that copies of this resolution be sent to the Committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures of the House of Representatives, and to other Members of Congress.

Ninth. The following letter received by Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief, from the Daughters of Union Veterans is self-explanatory, to wit:

GARY, IND., *January 13, 1935.*

Miss HAZEL L. RILEY,

*Chairman Board of Directors,*

*1920 Hudson Avenue, Chicago, Ill.*

DEAR SISTER CHAIRMAN: By action of the Forty-fourth National Convention of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-65, held in Rochester, N. Y., August 12-17, 1934, the board of directors were authorized to offer to the Grand Army of the Republic through the commander in chief, a room in the national headquarters building in Washington, D. C., by the adoption of the following resolution: "That the national department permit the board of directors to offer to the Grand Army of the Republic a room in our permanent headquarters."

Adopted by vote of the forty-fourth national convention, August 16, 1934.

MATILDA D. ROBERTS,

*National President.*

Attest:

BERNICE HECHT,

*National Secretary.*

WASHINGTON, D. C. *April 22, 1935.*

Mr. ALFRED E. STACEY,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,*

*Elbridge, N. Y.*

OUR DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: It is with a feeling of gratification and reverence that the board of directors of the national headquarters, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-65, extend to the Grand Army of



the Republic through you, their commander in chief, a hearty welcome to the Grand Army of the Republic room in our national headquarters building, located at 1326 Eighteenth Street NW., Washington, D. C.

We, too, express the wish of our national president and hope the Grand Army of the Republic will make use of this room whenever they wish and use it for whatever purpose they may desire.

The board of directors will at all times be happy to provide for the comfort and happiness of the comrades of our fathers, the Grand Army. May the room bring to you the same full measure of pleasure that it has afforded the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War in providing this room for your use and comfort.

HAZEL L. RILEY,  
CLARA G. YENGLING,  
KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD,  
HARRIETT J. GOETZ,  
DOROTHY HOUGHTON,  
*The Board of Directors.*

In view of the fact that the law required the national Grand Army of the Republic to designate an office or place within the confines of the city of Washington, D. C., where legal notice or notices, if required, may be served upon said corporation, it is hereby ordered that the room referred to in the building located at 1326 Eighteenth Street Northwest, Washington, D. C., shall be and is hereby selected by the national Grand Army of the Republic, incorporated in the said District of Columbia, as the office of said incorporation in said Washington, and the custodian of said building is hereby appointed as the agent and representative of said incorporation on whom legal notice may be lawfully served in any legal notice against said corporation.

Now an explanation is proper to be made. Under our articles of incorporation it is our duty to maintain an office in the District of Columbia. There was a friend of the Grand Army—I think a member thereof—that had a store across the street from where the Lincoln tragedy took place, that furnished us an office room, and we filed a certificate in the proper office in Washington to the effect that we had selected that as the place and the party in possession as the person upon whom legal notices might be served upon us if required at any time. He has died and that place is vacant. We now have an opportunity to select an office and a place where if anybody wants to sue the incorporation of the Grand Army of the Republic they may serve a legal notice within the pales of the District of Columbia and the city of Washington.

Tenth. A communication was received from the Federated Patriotic Societies, which reads as follows—

I take it that it is not necessary to read that. It is attached hereto. But our theory is that we must necessarily revamp at no distant date our organic law. The Federated Societies is not an ally of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is not and never has been elected as an ally, and we are on record two or three different times to the effect that we will not select any more allies. It is going to be absolutely necessary that the organic law of the Grand Army of the Republic should be modified and rewritten in many respects, and we thought that in connection therewith this matter had better be postponed until it was taken up later.

If you desire me to read the communication from the Federated Societies I will do so. (Cries of "No.")

Following is the remainder of the tenth paragraph of the report:

Whereas there has been in existence for 16 years an organization known as The Federated Patriotic Societies Allied With the Grand Army of the Republic; and



Whereas the membership of this federation has consisted of the Women's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., the Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and

Whereas, the objects of the federation as set forth in article II of the printed bylaws are:

"To effect a closer union and relationship of the patriotic interests of the orders allied to the Grand Army of the Republic;

"To promote, foster, and support, in these United States of America, a true Americanism, love of country, respect to the flag, reverence for the spirit of our institutions, and obedience to the Constitution and laws of the land in which we live.

"To denounce and oppose in every way, any act which attempts to disrupt our Nation, weakens its institutions, leads to disloyalty, or tends to impair the great heritage handed down to us and secured by the services and sacrifices of our forefathers.

"To serve as a 'clearing house of patriotism' for the allied orders, that there may be a greater unity of purpose, harmony of methods, and solidarity of action in their service in the common cause as expressed in their Preamble, Principles, and Objects."

And, whereas this organization has never petitioned the Grand Army of the Republic that it be recognized as an organization bearing the name as above stated, and for the objects as hereinbefore stated; and

Whereas, it is the belief of the present orders constituting the federation that it could function more effectively with the sponsorship and blessing of the Grand Army of the Republic, in carrying out its stated objects and purposes, or, in such other form and for such other purposes, as may eventuate from the adoption of this resolution; Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we respectfully petition the Grand Army of the Republic in their sixty-ninth annual national encampment in Grand Rapids, Mich., to appoint a committee to meet with a committee which shall be composed of one member from each of the orders, members of the federation, to carefully consider the above-stated question, and such other questions as might develop in the deliberations of such joint committee.

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular session of the respective orders, the signatures of which official heads appear below:

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS:

LIZZETTA COADY, *National President*.

EMMA W. CAMPBELL, *National Secretary*.

LADIES OF THE G. A. R.:

PEARL C. COOKE, *National President*.

WILMA M. RAMAN, *National Secretary*.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF CIVIL WAR:

FRANK L. KIRCHGASSNER, *Commander in Chief*.

H. H. HAMMER, *National Secretary*.

AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR:

GERTRUDE M. SAUTTER, *National President*.

MARGARET C. BRADY, *National Secretary*.

By reason of the fact that the organic law of the national Grand Army of the Republic must soon be rewritten, it is not deemed advisable for your committee to consider the same at the current session and same is postponed.

Eleventh. The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin, submitted a resolution as regards the discontinuance of bands in sundry places in said State and urge the replacement of same and seek the assistance of the Grand Army of the Republic in the premises; and while your committee confess there is merit in the proposition advanced, they cannot recommend that the Grand Army of the Republic join in their behalf on account of our depleted condition financially and otherwise. Therefore your committee cannot recommend participation therein.

Commander in Chief, that completes the report of the committee on resolutions except the one or two resolutions that will be introduced at the close of the encampment—thanking our host and others as usual. But aside from that this completes our report, and I move the adoption of the report. [Motion seconded.]



Senior Vice Commander in Chief HARDING I. MERRILL. I would like to ask Comrade Willett what the amendment was on widows' pensions, how they amended that? In 1928 at Denver, Colo., a resolution was introduced that the date of marriage be eliminated and that all widows of Union veterans receive a pension of \$40 a month till they got to be 70 years of age and \$50 a month after that. That passed the House and the Senate and was vetoed by Calvin Coolidge, who didn't know the conditions in the Western States. With all due honor to Comrade Willett and the committee, I cannot help but protest at this time that the resolution be so amended that all widows receive a pension of \$40 a month till they get to be 70 years of age and \$50 after that.

In 1870 the war office, the Secretary of War's census showed 134,000 soldiers registered in Kansas; in 1890, 187,000; and I want to tell you your comrades settled out there in that desert, the great American Desert, and that great parched State was built by the comrades of Union veterans, with the help of their wives, and there is many a widow that married an old comrade since 1905 and has taken care of him for 15, 20, or 25 years, and receives no pension at all. Now, I want to say to you that I, with Comrade Willett's consent and the comrades', make a motion that the age and date of marriage be eliminated, and all widows of Union veterans receive a pension of \$40 a month, and when they get to be 70 years of age, \$50. I will tell you a widow out in Kansas and Nebraska, Arkansas, Colorado, Missouri, and Oklahoma that only gets \$30 hasn't got much to live on. I leave that to you, Comrades. That is my sentiment.

Comrade M. H. DAVIDSON, acting officer of the day. The Ladies of the G. A. R. Committee are here at the entrance of this encampment with greetings. May I have the pleasure of escorting them to this platform?

Commander in Chief STACEY. Just as soon as we finish this question.

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania. In answer to the previous speaker, I wish to inform the comrades that the amendment entered into this resolution by the committee on resolutions last night was to extend the date of marriage from 1905 to 1915, so that any widow that would be married previous to 1915 would come under the provisions of the act, and at the same time place a curb on some of the abuses that came in from very young girls marrying some very, very old veterans.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Commander in chief and comrades: Don't you want to give the widows of the Union Veterans a small pension? [Cries of "Yes."] I move you that the date and age of marriage be eliminated, and then every widow of a Union veteran will receive \$40 a month until they get to be 70 years of age, and after that \$50 a month.

Comrade RUHE. You will never pass that, eliminating the date, in any Congress.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. It passed in the Coolidge administration.

Past Commander in Chief WILLETT. I want to make a little explanation here. The committee, a large majority of them, would like to have made this resolution conform to the ideas of Comrade



Merrill. But we canvassed upside and down and all around the attitude of the lawmaking power and concluded that if we could get halfway that we would be doing well, and that is the reason why the limitation is simply extended, and the charge cannot be made that an old maid, a spinster, or a widow married a decrepit 95-year old comrade yesterday who died today and therefore was entitled to a pension.

Comrade JOHN E. ANDREW, of Illinois. I proposed that amendment, and I will tell you why I did. A Spanish American widow cannot get a pension unless she was married prior to September 1, 1922. This amendment that I suggested places the Civil War widows on a par with the Spanish American widows. That is why I made it. I had charge of the Illinois Soldiers' Home for 8 years. I know old widows in the soldiers' home there that have been married 25 and 28 years and they are barred from getting a pension, but this amendment will permit those widows to get a pension and be placed on a par with the Spanish American widows. That is why I made it, and it is justice and it is right. The other law would be vetoed if it was adopted. This will not be vetoed. This will pass because it is justice to the Civil War widows.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, I think that the subject has been thoroughly aired. I shall call for a vote on Comrade Merrill's amendment to make the soldiers' widows' pension, regardless of age, \$40, and at 70 years of age, \$50. All those in favor of that will say "aye." Contrary, the same sign. [Carried.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. I thank you, comrades.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Now, it comes up on the question of the adoption of the report of the committee as a whole, as amended.

Commander in Chief STACEY. All those in favor of the adoption of the report of the Committee will say "aye." Contrary, the same sign. [Carried.]

Past Commander in Chief RUSSELL C. MARTIN. Your committee which was appointed to visit the Woman's Relief Corps have performed their duty and we were royally received by them. Not only that, but they gave us a little song and dance, etc., and we had a wonderfully good time. And they wanted us to bring back to you their love and greetings, and that they were all ready to do anything in the world for you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The officer of the day will escort in the Ladies of the Grand Army.

Comrade EDWIN H. LINCOLN, of Massachusetts. The Daughters were delighted to see us, and they gave us their best wishes and suggested I give this badge to the commander in chief and this one to Commander Willett from the Daughters.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, Past National President Van Duzor, of the Ladies of the Grand Army.

Mrs. MARTHA VAN DUZOR. Commander in chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, it is indeed a happy privilege to be one of the committee to appear before you this morning bringing greetings from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. At this time I am going to present my committee, Mrs. Clara M. Sawyer from California, and Mrs. Catherine DeLacy Roche from Pennsylvania, both past national presidents. Sister Sawyer will offer the greetings.



Mrs. CLARA M. SAWYER, of California. Commander in chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It certainly is the greatest pleasure that we anticipate when we come to a national encampment—our visit to the Grand Army of the Republic. We have been your coworkers these many years. The fact that we are your family proves that we know all your shortcomings. But we do also know all the grand deeds, the wonderful life you have led, and the splendid heritage which you have handed to your blood kin. It is a pleasure for the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic to come before you. It was my pleasure a year ago, and a year previous to that, to come with greetings from my great organization. And last year we presented and left on your desk a resolution which our convention had unanimously endorsed that we establish, maintain, and protect a national shrine in loving memory to the Grand Army of the Republic. I assure you our work has begun, but as your Past Commander in Chief Martin says, it is a big job; we know it is a big job, but no bigger job than we can put through. Comrades, I appreciate the privilege and I wish you God's blessing through the remaining years.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, this is Mrs. Roche.

Mrs. CATHERINE DELACY ROCHE, of Pennsylvania. Commander in chief and my father's comrades: I was in the rear of this room and I realized how very busy you are. I am just going to extend to you the loving greetings of the Department of Pennsylvania, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. I would like to say just one more word. My father was a past department commander of Pennsylvania and like all the rest of you was a brave soldier during the war and was presented with a Congressional Medal of Honor, of which I am very proud. Once more I extend loving greetings.

Mrs. VAN DUZOR. I, too, want to say, comrades, that my husband was one of you boys. He served in Bridge's battery, First Illinois Light Artillery, James H. Van Duzor. This badge is from our convention from Mrs. Pearl Cooke. We thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, I want to say that the ladies have very gracefully accepted my declination to listen to a song from their soloist. I told them we were short of time and we would have to have that at the next one.

The officer of the day then presented to the commander in chief, who in turn presented to the encampment, the following committee from the Woman's Relief Corps: National President Lizetta Coady, Past National Presidents Flo Jamison Miller, Marie L. Basham, Bell W. Bliss, Catherine M. B. Hoster, Margaret J. Lewis Bennett, Kate G. Raynor, Beatrice J. Tyson, Annie Poole Atwood, and Mary J. Love, national president-elect.

Mrs. LIZETTA COADY, national president Woman's Relief Corps. Commander in Chief of the Grand Army, past commanders in chief, and members of this wonderful organization, this morning I come to you as the national president of your only auxiliary. But I am not going to speak. I am going to pass that on around to Mrs. Flo Jamison Miller, one of the oldest workers in our order. I want to have her talk to you instead of myself.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I do not think this lady needs any introduction to the Grand Army. This is Flo Jamison Miller, of Illinois, past national president.



Mrs. MILLER. Comrades, I hate to talk through these arrangements. I like to talk right out. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, as a daughter of a soldier I am glad to be here. I am very glad to meet with the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic because I know them. I know your worth. I know how much you mean, not only to me personally, to my friends, but to the United States. It is not only just we people here today that are represented, but all of the United States, because you know you are right. It means a whole lot to know you have the Government back of you. It means more to me to know that we have the Grand Army back of us. And so it is a great pleasure for me to be here today. You have some of our better speakers to tell you how much they enjoy it. But you will never find an organization, you will never find women connected with an order more loyal than we of the Woman's Relief Corps. I see before me some of the comrades who have been attending for years—we have stopped counting the years, and we are now counting on the real stability of those represented here today. So as only one, to the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic I am here and very, very glad to see you. We bid you greeting, glad to be with you.

Mrs. COADY. Commander, may I have the privilege of introducing these past national presidents who have come with me this morning, who will just bow to you? Mrs. Bell Bliss, of Wisconsin, who in our convention is the only one who is the widow of a Grand Army man. Mrs. Bell Bliss, of Wisconsin. Mrs. Marie Basham, a daughter of a Civil War veteran, from Iowa. This is a dear little lady I know you all know. She is the daughter of former Judge Advocate General McBride, Catherine McBride Hoster, of Indiana. I know that many times you have listened to the singing member of the National Woman's Relief Corps, Margaret Lewis Bennett, of Pennsylvania. And here we have Kate G. Raynor, of Toledo, Ohio, a daughter of General William H. Raynor. Annie Poole Atwood, who like myself is a loyal woman. Beatrice J. Tyson, of New York, the daughter of a veteran.

And now I am approaching the end of my year's work, and in a way gratefully and yet regretfully lay down the burden. Yesterday afternoon we elected a new president from Kentucky, Mary J. Love, of Kentucky, who will work with you next year.

Mrs. LOVE. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, I appreciate heartily the privilege accorded me by my national president to meet the men who I am to know so well this coming year, to look into your faces and to know that the women of the Woman's Relief Corps are going to do for you in the coming year what they have done in the past. And it is such a pleasure to me to know the men and see these faces, because as the year goes by I can place them each and every one and know that they are the men whom we honor and whom we love. I want to take this moment to pay a tribute, Commander, to your inspector general of Kentucky, M. H. Davidson, who has done more for the Southland than anyone I know. My greetings to Commander Davidson, by commander, and my Kentucky delegation. Thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Ladies, I have had several who want to answer you. They all think you are single, but I know better. I



am very much pleased to have you here. I have really felt that I had the right to do a little bit of talking. You skipped two of your best orators, I know.

Mrs. COADY. To save time.

Commander in Chief STACEY. That was done very gracefully. We thank you for your presence here and our heartfelt interest is with the Women's Relief Corps. I thank you.

Past Commander in Chief MARTIN. Comrades, you have what we might call a Democratic colonel here, appointed by a Democrat Governor, who has appointed a Republican. You ought to say a word to her to encourage her. When she comes into your section of the country wait on her and give her everything on earth in that part of the country and let her be proud that she has a part in this Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. LOVE. No rank in the United States Army or on the staff of the Governor of Kentucky could mean more than these veterans today; and whether it is private, lieutenant, captain, or major, colonel, or general, as a Kentucky colonel I place every Grand Army man in the rank of general. [Applause.]

(The delegation retired, the encampment standing.)

Past Commander in Chief MARTIN. I would offer a motion that we adjourn until 2 o'clock. (Motion seconded.)

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion that we adjourn until 2 o'clock. All those in favor of that say "aye." Contrary? Carried. [12:25 p. m.]

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#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1935, AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P. M.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The hour of 2 has arrived. We will proceed with the afternoon session.

Past Commander in Chief EDWIN J. FOSTER. The committee appointed to visit the Sons of Veterans went over to the Sons of Veterans, were received very graciously, and had a good time.

Past Commander in Chief RUSSELL C. MARTIN. I want to talk to you about a matter, but first I want to ask you a question. How many in this room are not getting \$100 a month pension? Will you stand up? [About 25.] Just keep quiet. If you are not going to talk, I am going to talk. I have asked this question and I have found that there are a good many here that are not getting a pension of \$100 a month. All in the world that you have to do is to have a doctor, if you have a doctor, write a letter to the Pension Department in Washington, and the doctor will write this letter and send it himself. If you haven't a doctor you can write this letter yourself. You don't have to do anything only to have the doctor write the letter for you or you write it yourself, saying you now need assistance, and you will get the increase of \$25 a month in a very short time. All they want is this letter of application—not an application blank at all, just a simple letter asking for this, and you will get it.

Now Dr. Richardson, who came here to just bring the greetings of the Veterans Administration to you, could not tell you this, because a part of this comes before him, and he could not tell you that



you could get this, because this application that you are going to make would come before him for decision and he could not tell you that everyone would get it.

Comrade HENRY F. RUSSELL, of Ohio. Comrades, I want to say a word in behalf of our past commander in chief here, to verify his words. Two weeks ago, or 3 weeks ago, I was drawing \$75, and I made this application through my doctor down there, and in 10 days' time I got my pension increased. So you don't need to go to any bother at all. If you have got a certificate of any kind at all I think you can pretty near get what you ask for.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, we have a delegation from the Department of the Potomac, Ladies of the G. A. R., Mrs. Worrell, who will now speak to you.

Mrs. MARGARET HOPKINS WORRELL, past department president, Department of the Potomac, Ladies of the G. A. R., commander in chief, past commanders in chief, members of your staff, also our splendid comrades that I see before me: I come here this afternoon to pay my own personal respects to you all. I want to say to you that this is the proudest and the happiest moment of all my life. My father marched up Pennsylvania Avenue in 1865 as well as my uncles, who have now all passed away. And everything in the world I can do for the Grand Army of the Republic I want to do it. It was my very great pleasure and happiness to get the bill through Congress appropriating \$15,000 for your entertainment while in Washington in 1936. And now I want to present to the commander in chief this bouquet of red, white, and blue, which denotes all that we have and all that we think of.

I have with me Mrs. Minnie Seitz, of California, a splendid worker in the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am the first department president of the Department of the Potomac in the Ladies of the Grand Army. We are the baby department, and we have given over 100 percent to the memorial shrine to be built, we hope, in Washington, while you boys are all living so that you can all see it. We want something grand and beautiful there in Washington as a memorial to what you have done to save this country. And I thank you.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrade Town, will you answer the ladies?

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL P. TOWN. It is the request of the commander in chief that I respond to your address. We had no idea, I don't think, any of us, that you were in any way responsible for having this appropriation made for us at Washington, but we are very glad to see the originator of that. It has been demonstrated here today. The encampment has voted almost unanimously to visit Washington in the year 1936. We are very glad for everything that the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic have attempted to do and have accomplished.

Mrs. WORRELL. Thank you very much. I want to say that we are going to welcome you in Washington. You are going to have a grand time. I thank you all for voting to come down there. You will have a good time while you are there.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. I would like to see this Grand Army give that woman three cheers for writ-



ing the bill for the appropriation of that \$15,000 that went through Congress. [The encampment rises and gives three cheers.]

Mrs. WORRELL. I have the pen that the President signed the bill with and I am going to have it framed and give it to the commander in chief.

Senior Commander in Chief MERRILL. Commander in chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I move that we now proceed to the election of officers, and that the nominating speeches be limited to 3 minutes, and no seconds to them. (Motion seconded.)

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion, comrades. All those in favor of it say "aye." Contrary, the same sign. [Carried.]

Nominations for officers are now in order. The first is commander in chief.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Comrades, are you ready to vote? I will call the roll to present the candidates. As they are nominated the candidates from the different States will come up on the platform. I will call for nominations for commander in chief, and as I call the roll the different departments that have candidates will name them and the candidates will come up on the platform as the nominations are made. Nominations for commander in chief.

The rollof departments was then called by the senior vice commander in chief, and the following nominations were made:

Past Commander in Chief JAMES W. WILLETT. Commander in chief, comrades of the sixty-ninth encampment—I take great pleasure today in nominating for the high office of commander in chief from the Department of Iowa my beloved comrade, Oley Nelson. [Applause.] I want to say to you that I have known him personally and intimately for 40 years or more, and I know his reputation, and I say to you now that it is spotless, and he is one of the best citizens that Iowa has ever produced, although he was born in Wisconsin. But we have helped him to make himself a man. He has been honored publicly by his political party and also by his opponents. And while I am not using it particularly in favor of his nomination, I received a telegram yesterday from the Democratic Governor of Iowa hoping for Oley's success. While I know he has never forfeited a single Republican right because of it, he has been Sergeant at Arms for 12 years of the Iowa House of Representatives. He has been a member of the legislature and a member of many financial institutions, and as a comrade he is both a veteran and the son of a veteran. When his father passed away as an enlisted man, a soldier from Wisconsin, as I recollect, he supplied his place, bidding his mother good-bye and went to the front.

Now I know he is capable. He has got a voice superior to most of us, and it is strong and forceful. I take great pleasure in behalf of the Department of Iowa in placing my comrade Oley Nelson in nomination for commander in chief and crave your votes.

Comrade A. O. GERE, of Kansas. Commander in Chief and comrades of the Grand Army, I have the pleasure to introduce the name of Harding I. Merrill as candidate for commander in chief. He has been true and faithful to his own State. He was one of the boys that helped take care of claims on the land opening and did every-



thing he could to help them make a living. He is one that helped take care of the widows. He has been a good Grand Army man, and we endorse him as our candidate for national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic. Thank you.

Comrade MATHIAS M. KUGLER, of Ohio. Commander in Chief, I take very great pleasure in nominating for this, the highest office we can bestow, Comrade Jacob R. Secrest, who as a citizen and as a soldier met every obligation that was ever laid upon him with alacrity, with fidelity, and with efficiency. I know Comrade Secrest. For years I have sat by him in the room of the George H. Thomas Post, and I know, not from biased but unbiased words, that he possesses to a very high degree all of those qualifications that go to make an ideal commander.

He left his home; he was taken by his father 25 miles away, leaving a mother sick in bed, in order to enlist in the Army. I know him, and for 15 consecutive years he has been a member of this great organization, not on record at all of the meetings, some of them, but many of them as a delegate. He has been in the thick of the dust and has gone a long way to bring about those policies that have made the Grand Army what it is. I know Comrade Secrest and I know his devotion to the Grand Army, not alone in anticipation of a thing like this, but in his post at home. Any comrade that he has heard of, 25, 30, 40 miles away, he has gone to see that comrade, and through his untiring efforts George H. Thomas Post has been built up to be one of the largest, and I think perhaps the largest in the State.

Now there is one more thing I want to speak about. It was touched upon by the last speaker, and I was glad he did. It gives me an opportunity. I have been here as on record most of the time. I am not hard of hearing, but it has been exceedingly difficult for me to get the run of what has been said in the campfires. Sunday evening I was sitting up above. I could not hear. And while we have a mike many of our comrades have not confined themselves to it, weave in and out so that we hear about half of what they have said. Now I want to say about Comrade Secrest that he does not need a mike. He has a voice that is as clear as a bell, and we will go to any hall anywhere and he can be heard in every part of that hall. I don't mean that everyone can hear him. A man who is stone deaf would not hear the roar of a cannon. But men that are hard of hearing will be able to hear everything he says. And he knows the history of the Grand Army from the beginning to the end. So in case he goes in here as commander he will go in not as a tyro, but as one who knows everything to be done. We will make no mistake in making him our commander.

Comrade F. M. UNDERWOOD, of Tennessee. Tennessee wants to second the nomination of Secrest.

Comrade HENRY HELD, of Wisconsin. It gives me great pleasure to bring forward for the office of commander in chief a past department commander of the State of Wisconsin, a man who is well qualified, a man who is custodian of our memorial hall of the State of Wisconsin. He is a man that understands the complete work of the Grand Army from start to finish, for I have worked with him in the department and cooperated with him as assistant adjutant



general. I think he is entitled to the honor of being made commander in chief, and I have the honor to place his name before you. That you may realize that he is a full-fledged Grand Army man, he has contributed much to charity and is affiliated with all of our allied organizations. So it gives me pleasure to name him to you: George H. Pounder, past commander of the State of Wisconsin, at Fort Atkinson.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I will appoint Comrades Martin and Foster as tellers.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. You understand that this vote is for commander in chief, and as I call the different States those who are in charge will announce their vote.

The roll call of departments was then had, with the following result:

Department	Nelson	Merrill	Secrest	Pounder
California and Nevada	15			
Colorado and Wyoming		7		
Connecticut	11			
Florida				1
Idaho		4		
Illinois	7		8	
Indiana	1		6	
Iowa	16			
Kansas	1	17		
Kentucky			3	
Louisiana and Mississippi	2			
Maine	16			
Maryland	2			
Massachusetts	9			
Michigan			13	
Minnesota	3			
Missouri	3			
Nebraska	2		1	
New Hampshire	1		1	
New Jersey	4			
New York	23			
North Dakota	2			
Ohio			18	
Oregon	3			
Pennsylvania	16			
Potomac	1			
Rhode Island	1			
South Dakota	2			
Tennessee			1	
Utah	2			
Vermont	2			
Virginia and North Carolina	1			
Washington and Alaska	1		3	
West Virginia	6			
Wisconsin				5

Comrade JACOB SECREST, of Ohio. Commander in chief and comrades: My honorable opponent seems to have won this race. I acquiesce in his behalf and wish him a successful administration, and vote that it be made unanimous before the count is made, and the secretary be authorized to cast the vote.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Comrades, I second that nomination. I accept Comrade Secrest's motion.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, you have heard the motion to make the vote unanimous for Nelson. Are there any objections? Those in favor say "Aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Commander in Chief and comrades, the nomination of a senior vice commander in chief will be next in order. (Roll call for nominations.)

Comrade IRA M. STEWART, of Michigan. I want to present as a candidate from Michigan, Comrade Estabrook. He has been past commander three terms, and he has been a hard worker for the State of Michigan all his life, and I personally think that you cannot put up a better man for senior vice than Comrade Estabrook. I thank you.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL P. TOWN. Commander, if it be in order, I would say that it has always been the custom to elect the senior vice commander in chief from the place where we met. I move that the nomination of Comrade Estabrook be made unanimous. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion, that this nomination be made unanimous. All those in favor of it say "Aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Estabrook is unanimously elected as senior vice commander in chief. Comrades, nominations for junior vice commander in chief are now in order, and as I call the roll those departments that have a candidate for junior vice commander come up on the platform.

Comrade GEORGE N. LOCKWOOD, of California and Nevada. Commander and comrades, I take great pleasure in nominating for junior vice commander in chief a comrade from California whom we all love. He served in the One hundred and forty-sixth Indiana Infantry. He has lived in California for many years. We all know him, we all love him, and we know that he is competent and capable. His name is Overton H. Mennet.

Past Commander in Chief RUSSELL C. MARTIN. I second the nomination of Comrade Mennet for junior vice commander in chief and if there are no further nominations I move you that the Secretary be instructed to cast the entire vote of the encampment for Comrade Mennet of California. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion. All those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried.

Who will you have for Surgeon General? Nominations for Surgeon General.

Comrade W. A. BOSWORTH, of Kansas. I take pleasure in nominating our present surgeon general, Edward H. Cowan.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other nominations besides the present Surgeon General Cowan? All those in favor of that say "Aye."

Comrade SOL ZARBAUGH, of Ohio. Commander in Chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: Ohio has a candidate for this position who is an honorable Grand Army man, always has been.



He has been a representative from the United States to foreign countries. He has been in the Virginia Senate. He has been practicing medicine for 63 years. His Army record is that he went into the service when he was 14 years old and served over 3 years and 6 months in two Kentucky regiments. What do you want better than a man with a record of that kind for surgeon general? I nominate Dr. A. B. Garrett, of the Department of Ohio.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other nominations for surgeon general?

The roll of departments was then called, with the following result:

Department	Cowan	Garrett	Department	Cowan	Garrett
California and Nevada		15	Oregon		3
Georgia and South Carolina		1	Pennsylvania		16
Idaho		4	Potomac		1
Illinois		16	Rhode Island		1
Indiana	7		South Dakota		2
Iowa		12	Tennessee		1
Kentucky	4		Utah		2
Louisiana and Mississippi	2		Vermont		2
Maryland		2	Virginia and North Carolina		1
Minnesota		3	Washington and Alaska		
Nebraska		2	West Virginia		2
New Jersey		4			6
New York		23	Total	13	137
Ohio		18			

Comrade C. D. WALLACE, of Connecticut. I move that the nomination be made unanimous.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Is there a second as to that?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Comrades, it has been moved and seconded that the election of surgeon general be made unanimous. All in favor of that signify it by saying "Aye." A. B. Garrett, of Ohio, is elected surgeon general, and I declare him elected.

The election of chaplain in chief comes next.

Comrade CHARLES E. NASON, of Maine. Commander and comrades, it has been the custom of this organization in places of responsibility to keep those in office who perform their duty well and faithfully for many years. As an illustration for our quartermaster general we kept Comrade Cola Stowits for 24 consecutive years. We have a man now as chaplain in chief of the Grand Army who has never failed on any occasion. He is still strong physically, mentally, and in every way, and will attend to that high office as no other man who is a member of this organization can do, and I move you that the rules be suspended and that the Rev. J. King Gibson be elected chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade W. A. BOSWORTH, of Kansas. Commander, I would second the nomination.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other nominations for chaplain in chief? If not, I will declare it closed. And there has been a motion made and seconded that Rev. J. King Gibson be your chaplain for the ensuing year. All those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried. I declare him elected.

The list of nominations made by the several departments for the council of administration will be read.

The shorthand reporter then read the following list of nominations to the council of administration, reported by the several departments:

Department	Name	Address
California and Nevada----	Russell C. Martin-----	Los Angeles, Calif.
Colorado and Wyoming----	James E. Jewel-----	Fort Morgan, Colo.
Connecticut-----	Lewis Baker-----	New London.
Idaho-----	Judson Spofford-----	Boise.
Illinois-----	A. C. Best-----	Princeton.
Indiana-----	John H. Hoffman-----	Ligonier.
Iowa-----	J. C. Hanes-----	Des Moines.
Kansas-----	E. W. Phillips-----	Wichita.
Kentucky-----	Cyrus Edwards-----	Horse Cave.
Louisiana and Mississippi----	John Ayers-----	Summit, Miss.
Maine-----	John W. Fogler-----	Skowhegan.
Maryland-----	George T. Leech-----	Baltimore.
Massachusetts-----	Frederick H. Bishop-----	Boston.
Michigan-----	Isaac Grant-----	Reed City.
Minnesota-----	Samuel E. Mahan-----	St. Paul.
Missouri-----	A. J. P. Barnes-----	Joplin.
Nebraska-----	E. F. Brown-----	Lincoln.
New Hampshire-----	Frank E. Amadon-----	Keene.
New Jersey-----	Spencer Smith-----	Nyack, N. J.
New York-----	Martin V. Stone-----	Jamestown.
North Dakota-----	James McCormick-----	Devils Lake.
Ohio-----	Emmet F. Taggart-----	Akron.
Pennsylvania-----	Jacob Barron-----	Philadelphia.
Potomac-----	William F. Dorsey-----	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island-----	Charles H. Bullock-----	East Providence.
South Dakota-----	W. H. Cornell-----	Brookings.
Tennessee-----	F. M. Underwood-----	Knoxville.
Texas-----	John Shearer-----	Houston.
Utah-----	Ira Stormes-----	Salt Lake City.
Vermont-----	John H. Amadon-----	Waterville.
Virginia and North Carolina.	Charles Grandy-----	Norfolk, Va.
Washington and Alaska----	T. F. Coley-----	Seattle, Wash.
West Virginia-----	Thomas Carder-----	Parkersburg.
Wisconsin-----	W. H. Chesbrough-----	Beloit.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I declare the list as read elected as members of the council of administration.

Past Commander in Chief RUSSELL C. MARTIN. Comrades, the next one to be elected is a trustee of the permanent fund to be elected for 3 years, as Comrade Pilcher's term expired this year. I would name for this office R. M. Rownd, of New York, for 3 years.

Comrade MARTIN V. STONE, of New York. Commander in Chief, I second the nomination.

Past Commander in Chief MARTIN. Are there any other nominations?



Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the nomination. Are there any other nominations? All those in favor of that—if not, all those in favor of that motion of Comrade Martin's nominating Comrade Rownd please manifest it by saying "aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried.

Past Commander in chief MARTIN. Another trustee, C. H. Wm. Ruhe, to be elected for 1 year, the balance of Dr. Arensberg's term. Comrade Ruhe is now serving and is under bonds as treasurer of the permanent fund.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL P. TOWN. I move his reelection.

Comrade MARTIN V. STONE, of New York. I second the nomination.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other nominations? All those in favor of Comrade Ruhe will please manifest it by saying "aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried.

Comrade Willett, of the committee on resolutions.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES W. WILLETT. Commander in Chief, in behalf of the committee on resolutions, I now present the following supplemental resolution:

The Grand Army of the Republic is at the end of the sixty-ninth national encampment in Grand Rapids, Mich., the parlor furniture city of our country, and now concede and aver the truth to be that they, including their auxiliary and allied societies, have been entertained as the guests of said city during this encampment in such cordial and patriotic manner that we will never forget your extremely kind reception in that regard. We feel that the entire people of your gracious and noble city have, without exception, sought to make our visit with you a grand success.

We leave with feelings of much regret at parting and will ever remember the pleasant time we have had in your midst as your guests, with special acknowledgment of your friendly treatment, coupled with the newspaper courtesies extended in our behalf. The patriotic devotion of your people toward the veterans of the Civil War and their attendants, all and singular, will ever linger in your memory. As we leave you for our homes, we wish you continued joy and peace in this your own pleasant home surroundings and as we separate we again thank you without reserve for your extreme hospitality.

In this connection we have learned that the State of Michigan paid the entire money expended for our entertainment at this encampment and we commend the State department for its patriotism.

I move the adoption of the resolution. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion that this resolution be adopted. All those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried.

If there is no other business the installation of officers will be now in order. Whom will you have for your installing officer?

Commander-in-Chief-elect NELSON. Past Commander in Chief Jewel.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I appoint Past Commander in Chief Jewel as installing officer.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES E. JEWEL. Commander in Chief and comrades, the time has come for the installation of the officers that you have elected. Commander in Chief, I welcome you into the office of commander in chief, something I have looked for for many years. Have you selected your adjutant general?

Commander-in-Chief-elect NELSON. Yes, sir.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. Name him, please.



Commander-in-Chief-elect NELSON. J. P. Risley.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. Are you prepared to name your quartermaster general?

Commander-in-Chief-elect NELSON. Samuel P. Town.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. Are you prepared to name or appoint your judge advocate general?

Commander-in-Chief-elect NELSON. Judge Willett.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. Comrades, it is a great pleasure for me to be appointed installing officer. The duties of your offices at your advanced age are more than you probably expect—some of you at least. At this time I need not dwell upon the duties of the commander in chief, because you know them well. You have been long in the service, both in your country and in the service of the Grand Army of the Republic. I have only one advice to give you. Your ambitions are great, as it is with many of us. Do not overtax your strength, for we want you to live through your year and give us an excellent administration. You are the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and your office is practically the same as the commander in chief of an army. It is your duty particularly to watch over the various departments and also the various officers under your control and see that they keep within the lines as the rules and regulations provide.

To the senior vice commander in chief, the law imposes upon you the same duties that it does upon the commander in chief if you should be called upon to succeed. So also I might say to the junior vice commander in chief. You will have the same duties to perform. You will be under the direction of the commander in chief. And the surgeon general, I don't suppose you will have very many sick calls to attend to, but if you do we are sure you will attend to them correctly. The duty of the adjutant general is to see that the records of the Grand Army of the Republic are properly kept. The quartermaster general, you know your duty. And Judge Willett has been in the harness so long that he is the very spirit of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Oath of office administered to: Commander in Chief Oley Nelson, Slater, Iowa; Senior Vice Commander in Chief A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Junior Vice Commander in Chief Overton H. Mennet, Los Angeles, Calif.; Surgeon General Dr. A. B. Garrett, Gallipolis, Ohio; Adjutant General John P. Risley, Des Moines, Iowa; Quartermaster General Samuel P. Town, Philadelphia, Pa.; Judge Advocate General James W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. I now declare you and each of you legally installed into your respective offices, and, commander in chief, I place in your hand this gavel, which is your emblem of authority to be used to keep peace and order whenever you need it.

Quartermaster general, are you prepared to distribute the badges to the comrades? (Officers' badges pinned upon the newly installed officers.)

Having performed this complete duty of installing the officers, commander in chief, I now introduce to you Oley Nelson, one of the stage horses of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief OLEY NELSON. Delegates and members of the Grand Army. My voice is very clear without the microphone, and



it carries ordinarily very well in the open. I have been introduced and tried to say a few words in public, Sunday school conventions, church conventions, colleges, and academies and in general—not many at conventions. I hesitated when the Department of Iowa in their annual Grand Army encampment asked me if they could use my name for the office of commander in chief. I hesitated and finally accepted. The question was with me, and it has been the case with every appointive office or elective office, state or church, or whatever you may call it, “Am I the man to carry on the patriotic work as commander in chief of the greatest organization that has ever been on God’s footstool when we are turning the last pages of our patriotic organization and coming to the last pages of our history?” I cannot do it alone. I ask your cooperation and your sincere endeavor to make my administration equal to any one of my predecessors.

I have never shirked duty in legislative halls or in church or state. I only wish, as I see you, health and success, and may we meet together a year from now in an encampment similar to this. And may you go home to your constituency, your loved ones, your friends, and your relatives, and come back again to the national encampment in Washington next year.

I wish to thank the Department of Iowa and the delegates to the relief corps of Iowa, and the ladies, daughters, the sons, and auxiliary for their great endeavor to make this little campaign of mine a success. And may God’s richest blessing be over you and me now and forever. Amen.

I call a meeting of the council of administration at room 124. If you would rather meet right away I am willing to meet with you. Or would you rather that I should call it for 7 o’clock? I think we had better call it now. So I will call that on adjournment, and we meet at headquarters. I have appointed the present secretary, Katharine Flood, as our secretary. [Applause.]

Rev. J. King Gibson, who had been called outside, returned to the encampment and was duly installed as chaplain in chief by Past Commander in Chief Jewel.

Commander in Chief NELSON. If there is no other business, a motion to adjourn sine die will be entertained by your new commander in chief.

Past Commander in Chief JEWEL. I move we now adjourn sine die. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief NELSON. It has been moved and seconded that we do now adjourn sine die. Those in favor of that say “Aye.” Contrary, “No.” Carried. Adjourned. (3:40 p. m.)





# REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND OF COMMITTEES

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## REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

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WICHITA, KANS., *June 28, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: To comply with the rules and regulations of our revered order, I have the honor to submit to you and the sixty-ninth national encampment, the following report of the service rendered by me during the past year as senior vice commander-in-chief.

First I wish, through you, to express my sincere thanks to all the members of the Grand Army for the honor conferred on me and the great Empire State of Kansas by your unanimous election of me as senior vice commander-in-chief, at the sixty-eighth national encampment at Rochester, N. Y.

I wrote our honored commander in chief, Alfred E. Stacey, that I would stand ready and willing to assist, in any way desired, to forward our cause. On receipt of a telegram from Comrade Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general, that I was appointed to represent the commander in chief at the Kansas Department encampment held at Kansas City, Kans., May 6-8, I, at the campfire held May 7th, reminded the comrades that the commander in chief desired the Memorial Sabbath be well attended by all comrades.

Memorial Day was properly observed all over Kansas and each little green tent had a Grand Army of the Republic marker, flag, and flowers. I delivered at Topeka, Kans., on the statehouse steps, a memorial address to our immortal leader, Abraham Lincoln, and all departed comrades. This Memorial Day was observed by all auxiliaries of the Grand Army of the Republic; also all war-veterans organizations and their auxiliaries, as well as the citizens, and by our honored Governor Landon who made the principal address.

I attended the Grand Army of the Republic State encampment of Missouri, held at St. Joseph, Mo., May 21-23. I was highly honored there and made the principal address at the banquet of the Daughters of Union Veterans and also addressed the comrades and public of St. Joseph at their campfire May 22, reminding them of the wish of the commander in chief, Alfred E. Stacey, that Memorial Sunday be well attended and Memorial Day be properly observed. I installed the newly elected officers of the Department of Missouri and also attended the meetings of the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Daughters of the Union Veterans, and Sons of Union Veterans.

During the past year, as senior vice commander in chief and assistant adjutant and quartermaster general of Kansas, Grand Army of the Republic, in company with Kansas Grand Army of the Republic department commander, W. W. Nixon, I visited the Kansas State Soldiers' Home at Fort Dodge, Kans. This home was

established by a grant of 600 acres from the Government to the State of Kansas, to be maintained by the State for Union veterans of the Civil War and their widows and dependents.

In 1888 Comrade Arthur Larkin and wife deeded 160 acres of land at Ellsworth, Kans., to the Grand Army of the Republic, with the provision that every 2 years the Grand Army of the Republic encampment of the Department of Kansas and Sons of Union Veterans was to be held at this place. It was so far isolated in the northwest part of the State that it was impossible to carry out this plan and the trustees of Department of Kansas, Grand Army of the Republic, deeded this land to the State of Kansas, as an annex to the State home at Fort Dodge, to provide a home for the Grand Army of the Republic widows. This home, named for Mother Bickerdyke and in honor of the service she rendered as a nurse during the Civil War, was also visited by us. The State of Kansas makes liberal appropriation for the maintenance of this home and the homes at Ellsworth and Fort Dodge.

We visited the National Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kans., where a new hospital has been built at a cost of \$1,500,000, with 740 beds which can be increased to 1,000 in emergency cases. We found everything well cared for. I also often visit the national veterans' hospital in Wichita, Kans. It was built at a cost of \$750,000, is fully equipped with all latest improvements, has 166 beds and every doctor a specialist in his line.

I have attended many of the meetings of the auxiliaries of the Grand Army of the Republic, in company with Department Commander W. W. Nixon.

During my residence in Kansas, since March 1871, it has ever been my desire to help the comrades and their widows in any way possible. I have thoroughly enjoyed the work and may God bless you all and keep you and make His face to shine upon you.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

HARDING I. MERRILL,  
*Senior Vice Commander in Chief.*





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SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF



GEORGE H. POUNDER  
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF



## REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

FORT ATKINSON, WIS., *July 3, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR COMRADES: I, being the only one of three comrades in our county able to answer to the call of the Woman's Relief Corps, our wonderful auxiliary, I have had the honor in their behalf of giving a patriotic talk in the presentation of a beautiful Stars and Stripes flag to our vocational school here; some months later, also in behalf of our Woman's Relief Corps in response to 30 patriotic essays by attendants of our junior high school and Catholic parochial school, in the presentation of gifts to the three having the best essays.

Memorial Day morning I was called to Jefferson, our county seat, and assisted in parade, short speeches, and ceremony of throwing flowers from the bridge into the waters of Rock River in honor of and reverent respect to the valued service of sailors and marines of all wars. At my home town in the afternoon, by request, I had the pleasure of giving a talk on Americanism to a large crowd of people who came there to hear other speakers; however, they seemed pleased to hear me.

As junior vice commander, I brought greetings from the national encampment to our department encampment at Oshkosh; also to the Woman's Relief Corps, Daughters and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Spanish American and World War comrades with the help of the Woman's Relief Corps, our wonderful auxiliary, attended to decoration of all graves on Memorial Day. Last May, in company with Assistant Adjutant General Henry Held, and three other comrades, I assisted at the funeral service of past department commander, John C. Martin, at Madison, burial being at Mineral Point.

By appointment of Governor Schmedeman, I have the honor of being custodian of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall, north wing, Capitol Building, Madison, Wis. With assistance of Representative Palmer Daus, and many other friends, I have succeeded in having a bill passed by the Legislature and Senate of the State of Wisconsin, providing that the custodian or superintendent of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall in the Capitol Building, Madison, shall be a Civil War Veteran or a lineal descendant of same, appointed by the Governor of the State. Anticipating future events, this is calculated to safeguard our priceless relics there.

I have answered many questions of comrades as to disposition of post property, flags, charter, and other belongings when there are none left to carry on. I find lots to do and I am thankful for being able to help my comrades in any way possible.

I thank my comrades of 1934-35 for the honor they have conferred upon me.

Fraternally yours to serve in F., C., and L.,

GEORGE H. POUNDER,  
*Junior Vice Commander in Chief.*

## REPORT OF SURGEON GENERAL

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CRAWFORDSVILLE, IND., *July 9, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: I find it rather difficult to make a report, as there has been nothing for me to do as surgeon general since my election at Rochester. I spent the past winter in Dallas, Tex., and often visited our auxiliaries there. There are two corps of the Woman's Relief Corps in that city and a tent of the Daughters of Union Veterans. It was a great pleasure to attend the meetings. I also attended a meeting of the Confederate Veterans and was very cordially received and urged to come again. Attended, too, the Confederate Decoration Day services. There seems to be a more friendly feeling each year between the former foes.

There are less than a dozen of our boys left now in Texas, so that I met fewer this year than before. Department Commander Shearer, who lives in Houston, attended the State meeting of the Woman's Relief Corp in Dallas and the State meeting of the Daughters in Fort Worth. I attended both meetings. It is unnecessary to say that they treated us with great honor and affection.

In February I went to California and at San Diego met with the post there, which still has 20 members. They had a fine and very interesting meeting. While in San Diego, was taken out to the naval training station and saw a fine parade of 12 companies of the naval cadets.

At Los Angeles, where they have a post of 98 members, I met many of them and called on Past Commander in Chief Martin. Attended a meeting of the Daughters, too, with a comrade, and we were received with all the honors. Also attended the funeral of a comrade there, who was 94 years old. The commander of the post is 92, and he, with his staff, gave the ritual of burial in a very impressive manner.

Wherever I met one wearing the bronze button I met a friend. As our numbers grow rapidly less, it seems to me that our friendship and loyalty grows stronger.

This does not seem much like an official report, yet there seems to be nothing to add.

Respectfully yours in F., C., and L.,

EDWARD H. COWAN,  
*Surgeon General.*





DR. EDWARD H. COWAN  
SURGEON GENERAL



REV. J. KING GIBSON  
CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF



## REPORT OF CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF

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DAYTON, OHIO, *July 4, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: It has been my high privilege to keep in touch with our encampment during the past year. The reports of department chaplains, which I have received, indicate two things: First, that our numbers and activities are fast declining, and second, that the spirit of Gideon's Band is duplicated in the veterans of 1865—"faint yet pursuing."

Spending the winter in the South, I found the comrades there as "true as steel." I further note with pleasure that the badge of "Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty" is greeted cordially by those who once wore the "gray."

There is, however, a sad reminder of former days in Andersonville Prison Park with its thirteen thousand graves; and the saddest token of it all is the monument standing near the gate of entrance, erected by the Georgia Daughters of the Confederacy, in memory of Captain Wirz, who one time commanded in this dreadful place; which monument it is to be hoped that the South itself will remove. Thinking of my only brother who spent the summer of '64 in that sad place and of the vast company who were in such sorrow, I laid flowers in honor of them all at the foot of the Ohio monument, inscribed "Death before Dishonor", and this I did in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic and of Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief.

We do not forget those who perished there; "their works do follow them."

In F., C., and L.,

J. KING GIBSON,  
*Chaplain in Chief, G. A. R.*

## REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

JACKSON, MICH., *August 10, 1935.*

ALFRED E. STACEY,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: In my brief report this year I desire, first of all, to thank you for my appointment to the office of adjutant general and regret that the condition of my health prevented my constant association with you in Syracuse.

However, through Miss Flood, our national secretary, I have been informed as to all correspondence received at headquarters and conditions throughout the various departments. I have enjoyed the correspondence with all department officers and their prompt response to all requests.

As will be seen by the following summary and statistical report, our membership is slowly decreasing, but surprising to say, not in any greater proportion than in past years. It is evident, from letters received from the various department officers, that we will continue to function for a few years, at least.

	Members	Posts
In good standing, Dec. 31, 1933.....	7, 907	1, 516
Gains by muster, transfer, and reinstatement.....	392	12
Total.....	8, 299	1, 528
Loss by death.....	1, 565	-----
Loss by all other causes.....	490	-----
Total loss.....	2, 055	184
In good standing, Dec. 31, 1934.....	6, 244	1, 344

To Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, who has served so many years as secretary, I wish to express my appreciation of her attention to the details of the office and the work at headquarters. Our thanks are due to Mr. Milton F. Wagner, clerk of the board of education, and Mr. Harry J. Clark, deputy superintendent, for assistance in locating and furnishing our headquarters room, and I join Miss Flood in expressing to all the officials and the staff in the Board of Education Building sincere appreciation of the many courtesies extended her.





CALVIN A. BRAINARD  
ADJUTANT GENERAL





Consolidated report of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, showing gains and losses for the year ending Dec. 31, 1934

Departments	Dec. 31, 1933		Dec. 31, 1934		Posts		Members	
	Posts	Mem- bers	Posts	Mem- bers	Gain	Loss	Gain	Loss
Alabama	2	7	2	7			1	1
Arkansas	4	16	5	18	1		4	2
California and Nevada	55	718	54	572	1	2	15	161
Colorado and Wyoming	14	117	14	84				33
Connecticut	32	113	29	95		3	5	23
Delaware	4	40	4	38			7	9
Florida	6	91	6	76			3	18
Idaho	8	43	6	34		2	2	11
Illinois	133	625	124	489		9	5	141
Indiana	87	240	78	341		9	188	87
Iowa	70	404	49	271		21		133
Kansas	123	457	113	374	1	11	6	89
Kentucky	12	37	10	28		2		9
Louisiana and Mississippi	7	49	7	45				4
Maine	39	182	33	129		6		53
Maryland	4	68	4	50				18
Massachusetts	98	433	93	320		5	2	115
Michigan	71	277	67	241	7	11	37	73
Minnesota	61	210	55	167		6		43
Missouri	19	138	18	115		1	8	31
Montana	8	24	8	21				3
Nebraska	47	193	46	161		1		32
New Hampshire	15	48	12	34		3		14
New Jersey	21	105	17	68		4		37
New York	140	691	124	498		16	11	204
North Dakota	4	14	4	11				3
Ohio	125	626	111	420		14	18	224
Oklahoma	7	20	5	36		2	18	2
Oregon	20	210	18	168		2	1	43
Pennsylvania	103	1, 033	66	786		37	42	289
Potomac	2	24	3	27	1		10	7
Rhode Island	16	57	14	44		2	3	13
South Dakota	17	51	14	46		3		5
Tennessee	3	15	3	15			3	3
Texas	3	12	3	12				
Utah	4	19	4	15				4
Vermont	5	30	3	14		2		16
Virginia and North Caro- lina	5	11	3	7		2		4
Washington and Alaska	24	180	24	132				48
West Virginia	8	55	8	50	1	1	3	8
Wisconsin	90	224	83	182		7		42
Members at large		3		3				
Aggregate	1, 516	7, 907	1, 344	6, 244	12	184	392	2, 055
Net Loss						172		1, 663

As I retire from the office of adjutant general I will cherish the friendship continued through association with you and all members of your staff.

Sincerely in F., C., and L.,

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
Adjutant General.

## REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

PHILADELPHIA, *August 10, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I submit, herewith, a statement in detail, of the business transacted in the office of the quartermaster general for the term ending August 10, 1935.

I cannot do better than repeat what I said in my report last year. The receipts from per-capita tax and sale of supplies have not been sufficient to defray our expenses and it has been necessary to draw upon the permanent fund. This course has been pursued in former years and it will be necessary to draw upon that fund more heavily each coming year.

The members of our auxiliary and allied organizations have shown their devotion by their liberality. Mrs. Flo Jamison Miller, past national president, Woman's Relief Corps, again assumed the arduous duty of looking after the graves of our deceased comrades buried in the southern cemeteries for which she deserves our sincere gratitude.

For courtesies and kindness extended to me you have my sincere thanks.

Yours in F., C., and L.,

SAMUEL P. TOWN,  
*Quartermaster General.*

### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

*Transcript of books July 10, 1934, to Sept. 30, 1934*

Cash balance in all funds as reported to sixty-eighth national encampment.....	\$3, 175. 52
Subsequent receipts:	
Sale of supplies.....	\$33. 95
Woman's Relief Corps.....	1, 000. 00
Daughters of Union Veterans.....	1, 000. 00
Sons of Union Veterans' Auxiliary.....	500. 00
Sold to Miller Desk & Safe Co., Calif., desk and chair	14. 50
Sold to county of Los Angeles, metal supply closet....	20. 00
	<hr/> 2, 568. 45
Total.....	<hr/> 5, 743. 97





SAMUEL P. TOWN  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL





## DISBURSEMENTS

Travel.....	\$338. 23	
Expenses .....	718. 37	
		<u>\$1, 056. 60</u>
Balance .....		<u>4, 687. 37</u>
To be credited as follows:		
General fund.....	\$1, 011. 85	
Southern memorial fund.....	3, 675. 52	
		<u>4, 687. 37</u>
Total.....		4, 687. 37

## ACCOUNT CURRENT

## DEBIT

Cash received for term ending Aug. 10, 1935:		
Balance in all funds as reported in the supplemental report dated Sept. 30, 1934:		
General fund.....	\$1, 011. 85	
Southern memorial fund.....	3, 675. 52	
		<u>\$4, 687. 37</u>
Subsequent receipts:		
Sale of supplies.....	156. 66	
Per capita tax.....	128. 73	
Woman's Relief Corps.....	1, 000. 00	
Permanent Fund.....	5, 400. 00	
Dividend received on check of Woman's Relief Corps in- volved in failure of First National Bank, Hastings, Nebr	60. 00	
		<u>6, 745. 39</u>
		11, 432. 76

## CREDIT

Cash paid out for term ending Aug. 10, 1935:		
Supplies.....	112. 50	
Travel.....	1, 646. 56	
Salaries.....	3, 033. 32	
Expenses.....	1, 808. 40	
Southern memorial fund.....	1, 000. 00	
Woman's Relief Corps refund of dividend received on check involved in failure of First National Bank, Hastings, Nebr., which they made good to Grand Army of the Republic.....	60. 00	
Total in all funds Aug. 10, 1935.....		<u>7, 660. 78</u>
		3, 771. 98
To be credited as follows:		
General fund.....	96. 46	
Southern memorial fund.....	3, 675. 52	
		<u>3, 771. 98</u>

Statement of total number of posts and membership, sale of supplies, per-capita tax, southern memorial fund, etc., for term ending Aug. 10, 1935

Department	Posts	Members	Supplies	Per-capita tax	General fund	Southern memorial fund
Alabama	2	7		\$0. 15		
Arkansas	5	18	\$1. 68	. 36		
California and Nevada	54	569	12. 43	11. 38		
Colorado and Wyoming	14	84	. 60	2. 00		
Connecticut	29	95	14. 20	1. 90		
Delaware	4	38	1. 13	. 76		
Florida	6	76		1. 52		
Idaho	6	34		. 68		
Illinois	124	489	2. 50	9. 78		
Indiana	78	341	7. 75	6. 82		
Iowa	49	271		5. 42		
Kansas	113	374	. 30	7. 48		
Kentucky	10	28		1. 00		
Louisiana and Mississippi	7	45	1. 40	. 90		
Maine	33	129		2. 58		
Maryland	4	50	. 18	1. 00		
Massachusetts	93	320	4. 35	6. 40		
Michigan	67	241	. 95	4. 82		
Minnesota	55	167		3. 34		
Missouri	18	115	1. 00	2. 30		
Montana	8	21	. 50	. 50		
Nebraska	46	161	1. 40	3. 22		
New Hampshire	12	34	. 95	. 68		
New Jersey	17	68	. 80	1. 36		
New York	124	498		9. 96		
North Dakota	4	11		. 25		
Ohio	111	420	. 41	8. 40		
Oklahoma	5	36		. 72		
Oregon	18	168	4. 75	3. 36		
Pennsylvania	66	786		15. 72		
Potomac	3	27		. 54		
Rhode Island	14	44	3. 05	. 88		
South Dakota	14	46		1. 00		
Tennessee	3	15		. 30		
Texas	3	12	. 50	. 25		
Utah	4	15		. 30		
Vermont	3	14		. 28		
Virginia and North Carolina	3	7		. 14		
Washington and Alaska	24	132	1. 78	2. 64		
West Virginia	8	50	. 30	1. 00		
Wisconsin	83	182	1. 25	3. 64		
Members at Large, Georgia and South Carolina		3		3. 00		
Aides de camp			92. 50			
Woman's Relief Corps						\$1, 000
Permanent fund <sup>1</sup>					\$5, 400	
Dividend from Nebraska bank on check of Woman's Relief Corps					60	
Total	1, 344	6, 241	156. 66	128. 73	5, 460	1, 000

Of this, \$1,400 was from accrued interest and \$4,000 from principal.



SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS

Statement of disbursements, July 10 to Sept. 30, 1934, by Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Expenses
Aug. 16	60	Darwin B. Wolcott, adjutant general: Traveling expenses from Los Angeles, Calif., to Rochester, N. Y., and return, meals, pullman, and tips-----	\$154. 80	-----
	61	John A. Medlar Co.: 5,000 general orders no. 5; 250 national rosters-----	-----	\$67. 75
	62	Vincent S. Moore, Rochester, N. Y.: 1,000 general orders no. 6-----	-----	14. 85
	63	Underwood, Elliott Fisher Co.: Repairs to typewriter and new ribbon-----	-----	2. 59
	64	Southern California Telephone Co.: Telephone and telegrams July 10 to Aug. 1-----	-----	23. 60
	65	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Traveling expenses, California to Rochester, N. Y.: Railroad fare, meals, etc-----	161. 78	-----
	66	Darwin B. Wolcott, adjutant general: Office expenses: July 5 to Aug. 16-----	-----	45. 00
		Paid Jessie M. Anson for services at national headquarters, Rochester, N. Y-----	-----	28. 00
		Postage, supplies, etc-----	-----	36. 80
	67	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Railroad fare from Philadelphia to Rochester, N. Y., and return-----	21. 65	-----
Sept. --	68	Seneca Hotel: Expressage paid on trunks, flag box, etc-----	-----	59. 92
	69	Grimes-Strassforth Stationery Co.: 600 copies encampment roll; 600 copies of address and reports-----	-----	439. 50
	-----	Government tax on checks: July 1 to Sept. 30, 1934-----	-----	. 36
		Total-----	338. 23	718. 37

Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 10, 1935, by Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Supplies	Travel	Salaries	Expenses	General fund	Southern memorial fund
1934 Sept. 26	1	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Paid railroad agency for expressage on records and files from Los Angeles, Calif., to Syracuse, N. Y.				\$73. 43		
	2	Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief: Traveling expenses.		\$500. 00				
	3	The Artcraft Press: 200 general orders, 500 no. 11 envelopes, 500 no. 10, 500 no. 6¾, 500 stickers.				20. 25		
	4	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for Aug. 20 to Sept. 30.			\$66. 67			
	5	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary Aug. 20 to Sept. 30.			200. 00			
	6	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary Aug. 20 to Sept. 30.			44. 44			
Oct. 6		Office expenses: Postage, \$10. Janitor for packing boxes in Los Angeles and crating seal, expressage on flag box and trunk, telegrams, and office supplies.				23. 53		
	7	P. R. Quinlan, Inc., Florist: Wreath for Captain Foster and telegram; wreath for Dr. Arensberg and telegram.				21. 39		
	8	Vollmer Bros.: 1 steel cabinet, \$26, letter file, \$19, 4 sets of letter guides and filing folders, \$3.85, 1 cos-tumer, \$2.50.				51. 35		
	9	Gordon L. Elliott: Reporting and transcribing proceedings of sixty-eighth national encampment.				200. 00		
	10	Railroad fare from Des Moines, Iowa, to Rochester, N. Y., and return, etc.		58. 44				
		Underwood, Elliott, Fisher Co.: Freight on typewriter from Los Angeles to Syracuse, N. Y., drayage and adjusting.				10. 20		



Oct. 11	11	McCandless Printing Co.: 5,000 post patriotic instructor, 5,000 post chaplain; 5,000 forms A and B; 1,000 requisition forms; 250 vouchers; 250 large envelopes-----					150. 50		
	12	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Paid Thos. B. Smith Co. for bond, paid Thos. W. Price Co. for 100 clasped envelopes-----					14. 46		
26	13	Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief: Paid postmaster at Elbridge, N. Y., for postage stamps-----					38. 00		
	14	The Aircraft Press: 500 no. 10 envelopes for commander in chief-----					4. 50		
	15	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary for October-----				33. 33			
	16	Office expenses for October-----					8. 38		
	17	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for October-----				150. 00			
	17	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for October-----				50. 00			
	18	Postage on free blanks, etc-----					17. 70		
Nov. 16	18	McCandless Printing Co.: 12 lots of letterheads (100 each); 2 lots 500 each; new composition of names; 250 labels for shipping-----					35. 50		
26	19	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary for November-----				33. 34			
	20	Office expenses: Supplies, etc-----					14. 22		
	21	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for November-----				150. 00			
	21	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for November-----				50. 00			
	22	Postage-----					. 88		
Dec. 20	22	E. C. Johnson, printer: 5,000 general orders no. 2 and postage thereon; 500 gummed labels; 3,500 countersigns; 1,000 aides-de-camp circulars; 500 envelopes-----					79. 14		
	23	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for December-----				50. 00			
	24	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary for December-----				33. 33			
	25	Office expenses including telegrams and supplies-----					17. 86		
	26	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for December-----				150. 00			
	26	Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief: Postage 500 3-cent, 300 1½-cent-----					18. 00		
	-----	Government tax on checks for October, November, December, 1934-----					. 48		

Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 10, 1935, by Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general—Continued

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Supplies	Travel	Salaries	Expenses	General fund	Southern memorial fund
1935 Jan. 2	27 28	McCandless Printing Co.: 500 form C; 500 form D John C. Mullins: Refund for money paid for wreath from national headquarters for funeral of Past Commander in Chief Lewis Pilcher				\$32. 00		
7	29	Barnes Flower Shop, Syracuse, N. Y.: Wreath and telegram for T. C. Cazeau, past commander in chief, Sons of Veterans				15. 00		
16	30	Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief: Advanced traveling allowance				10. 50		
	31	Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief: Paid for office postage		\$500. 00				
24	32	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for January				32. 00		
		Postage			\$50. 00			
Jan. 24	33 34	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for January Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary for January			150. 00	6. 00		
Feb. 18	35	Office expenses: Telegrams, supplies, expressage The Stewart & Steen Co.: Stock and stamping 5,000 letterheads			33. 33	15. 27		
25	36 37	McCandless Printing Co.: Imprint on 600 letterheads Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Office expenses: Telephones to Elbridge, telegrams, supplies				50. 25 6. 25		
		Extra stenographic service				21. 50		
		Salary for February				25. 00		
	38	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for February			33. 34			
Mar. 14	39 40	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for February Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Advance traveling expenses to Grand Rapids, Mich., and return—preliminary meeting			50. 00 150. 00			
				75. 00				



26	41	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary for March-----				33. 33			
		Office expenses: Stenographer-----						10. 00	
		Supplies, telephones, telegrams-----						11. 30	
	42	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for March-----				150. 00			
	43	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for March-----				50. 00			
		Imprints on letterheads \$2.50, postage \$1.82-----						4. 32	
	44	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Expenses for meeting with encampment committee, Jackson, Mich., to Grand Rapids, Mich., and return-----							
	45	Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief: Expended for postage-----	13. 12						
	46	Jos. K. Davison's Sons: 125 officers' badges at \$0.35; 125 aides-de-camp badges at \$0.55-----						26. 50	
Apr. 1	47	Flo Jamison Miller: Appropriation for Southern Memo- rial work-----			\$112. 50				
18	48	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for April-----				150. 00			\$1,000.00
	49	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary for April-----				33. 33			
		Office expenses: Typewriter supplies, telegrams, tel- ephones, supplies for office-----						7. 92	
May 16	50	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for April-----				50. 00			
	51	Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief: Balance of travel- ing appropriation-----	500. 00						
	52	The Artcraft Press: 5,000 general orders nos. 3 and 4-----						100. 00	
		500 envelopes printed, parcel postage-----						20. 87	
25	53	Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Salary for May-----				33. 34			
		Extra stenographer \$10, supplies, telephones, tele- grams \$23.53-----						33. 53	
	54	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary for May-----				150. 00			
	55	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Salary for May-----				50. 00			
		Postage-----						5. 00	
June 3	56	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Editing Journal of the Sixty-eighth National Encampment for Past Adjutant General D. B. Wolcott-----						200. 00	





Aug. 8	67	Quinlan Florist, Inc.: Wreath for funeral of Joseph A. Goodrich, executive committee, and telegram-----	-----	-----	10. 42	-----	-----
	68	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Balance of salary for 12-month period to Aug. 18----	-----	100. 00	-----	-----	-----
	69	Salary for thirteenth month to close of encampment-----	-----	150. 00	-----	-----	-----
		Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general: Balance of salary for 12-month period to Aug. 18----	-----	22. 22	-----	-----	-----
		Salary for thirteenth month to close of encampment-----	-----	33. 33	-----	-----	-----
		Office expenses: Telephones, telegrams, and supplies-----	-----	-----	8. 16	-----	-----
		Stenographer-----	-----	-----	30. 00	-----	-----
	70	Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general: Balance of salary for 12-month period to Aug. 18----	-----	33. 33	-----	-----	-----
		Salary for thirteenth month to close of encampment-----	-----	50. 00	-----	-----	-----
		Total-----	\$112. 50	3, 033. 32	1, 808. 40	60. 00	\$1,000.00

SUMMARY

Supplies-----	\$ 112. 50	General fund-----	\$60. 00
Travel-----	1, 646. 56	Southern memorial fund-----	1, 000. 00
Salaries-----	3, 033. 32		
Expenses-----	1, 808. 40	Total-----	7, 660. 78

Supplies on hand, purchased, and remaining on hand for the year ending Aug. 10, 1935

Supplies	On hand July 1934	Purchased as per contract	To be accounted for	Issued	On hand August 1935
Rules and regulations-----	1, 238	-----	1, 238	18	1, 220
Rituals-----	25	-----	25	5	20
Officers' cards-----	565	-----	565	-----	565
Service books-----	159	-----	159	1	158
Odes-----	850	-----	850	-----	850
Applications-----	743	-----	743	-----	743
Leaves of absence-----	721	-----	721	-----	721
Transfers-----	1, 301	-----	1, 301	-----	1, 301
Discharges-----	676	-----	676	13	663
Post charters-----	152	-----	152	2	150
Descriptive books-----	39	-----	39	-----	39
Blue books-----	10	-----	10	2	8
Badges-----	290	250	540	168	372
Rank straps-----	623	-----	623	70	553
Buttons-----	1, 130	-----	1, 130	167	963
Ribbons-----	<sup>1</sup> 42¼	-----	42¼	<sup>1</sup> ½	41¾
Electrotypes-----	22	-----	22	1	21
Comrades at large certificates---	663	-----	663	36	627
Cost-----	\$130. 09	\$112. 50	\$242. 59	\$141. 11	\$101. 48

<sup>1</sup> Pieces.

There have been printed and distributed to the several departments the following “free blanks”:

Forms A and B (report of adjutant and quartermaster)-----	3, 628
Form E-2 (report of department inspector)-----	-----
Form I (requisitions for supplies)-----	159
Report of post chaplain-----	1, 730
Report of department chaplain-----	94
Report of post patriotic instructor-----	1, 630
Report of department patriotic instructor-----	94
Form C (assistant adjutant general in detail)-----	20
Amendments for rules and regulations-----	18



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PERMANENT FUND

Account of C. H. William Ruhe, treasurer of the permanent fund, Grand Army  
of the Republic, for period July 3, 1934 to Aug. 6, 1935

### SECURITIES ON DEPOSIT WITH THE UNION TRUST COMPANY OF PITTSBURGH

1935

Aug.	6. \$17,000 City of New York—Corporate stock bonds, 4½ percent due serially-----	<u>\$17, 000. 00</u>
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#### RECEIPTS

1934

July	3. Cash balance with the Union Trust Co., of Pittsburgh-----	744. 95
	6. To proceeds sale, \$1,000 city of Philadelphia bonds-----	\$1, 014. 70
	6. To proceeds sale, \$3,000 city of Philadelphia bonds-----	3, 044. 10
	6. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	. 56
	6. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	1. 67
Nov.	1. To interest, city of New York bonds-----	382. 50

1935

Jan.	2. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	50. 00
	2. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	26. 00
Apr.	4. To proceeds sale, \$1,000 city of Philadelphia bonds-----	1, 047. 50
	4. To proceeds sale, \$500 city of Philadelphia bonds-----	523. 75
	4. To proceeds sale, \$300 city of Philadelphia bonds-----	314. 25
	4. To proceeds sale, \$2,000 city of Philadelphia bonds-----	2, 094. 20
	4. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	10. 33
	4. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	5. 17
	4. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	3. 10
	4. To interest, city of Philadelphia bonds-----	20. 67
May	1. To interest, city of New York bonds-----	382. 50
Total receipts-----		<u>8, 921. 00</u>
		9, 665. 95

#### DISBURSEMENTS

1934

July	10. Check drawn against account-----	\$3, 522. 52
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1935

Jan.	31. Check drawn against account-----	800. 00
Feb.	4. Check drawn against account-----	10. 27
Apr.	15. Check drawn against account-----	4, 000. 00
	16. Payment for one notary certificate-----	. 50
Aug.	2. Check drawn against account-----	600. 00
	Federal voucher tax-----	. 02
	By 5 percent commission of Union Trust Co. for collection of interest-----	44. 13
Total disbursements-----		<u>8, 977. 44</u>
		688. 51

6. Cash balance on deposit with Union Trust Co-----		688. 51
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The Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, depositary for the trustees of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic, hereby certifies that the within annual statement to Aug. 6, 1935 showing \$17,000 in securities and \$688.51 on deposit with this company is correct.

THE UNION TRUST COMPANY OF PITTSBURGH,  
By E. ALEXANDER HILL, *Assistant Trust Officer.*

NOTE.—Of the \$688.51 cash, \$173.03 is accrued interest and \$515.48 is uninvested principal.

## REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

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TAMA, IOWA, July 22, 1935.

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I herewith submit my report for the current term as judge advocate general for Comrade Alfred E. Stacey, Commander in Chief.

The usual routine of business pertaining to Grand Army affairs has been transacted during the year by correspondence or otherwise through the office of commander in chief and your judge advocate general, the detail of which is not required for precedent in this report.

The following case was submitted to and decided by your judge advocate, to wit:

TAMA, IOWA, March 18, 1935.

COMRADE ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*Syracuse, N. Y.*

### *In re: Property rights of defunct posts*

Questions propounded by Department of Vermont.

1. When defunct posts have money in banks who can draw it?
2. When there is no quorum to vote, who can dispose of property?
3. When only one or two remain what right have they to give it away?
4. The rules say that charters, rituals, record books, etc., shall be returned to the department; what authority has the department over other property where the post has made no disposition of same?

In this connection article I, chapter II, of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, together with article VI and article VIII, sections 4 and 12, inclusive, of chapter II, and section 3, article I, chapter V, are referred to for Grand Army organic law in the premises and we proceed to dispose of the foregoing questions in omnibus as follows, to wit:

The propositions and questions herein submitted have been disposed of in the main. (See par. 94, Blue Book 1912, p. 84 thereof, wherein it is decided as per note 1, that "A post disbanded is not required to turn over to the department cash on hand or real estate purchased with post funds", which refers to Blue Book 1902 and journal cited.)

That following said decision the undersigned as judge advocate general decided similar questions as reported and approved by the Sixty-seventh National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, held in St. Paul, Minn., September 1933. (See p. 127, journal of said national encampment), as follows, to wit: "I am constrained to hold that said Ranson Post is not required to turn over or surrender to the Department of Louisiana and Mississippi the real estate or personal property belonging to said disbanded post and all such property and property rights must be determined by the laws of the State where located as between the survivors of the post if not otherwise determined by the post before it is disbanded", and we now add the following: Personal property descends according to the law of the owners' domicile and realty descends according to the law of its situs.

The foregoing decision is based upon the theory that in the lifetime of the post or members thereof, there has been no legal disposal of the property in question, in which event the law of domicile and situs must maintain.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

(Signed) JAMES W. WILLETT,  
*Judge Advocate General.*



The following case was submitted and decided, to wit:

TAMA, IOWA, March 23, 1935.

Comrade ALFRED E. STACEY,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic, Syracuse, N. Y.*

### REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

*In re: Removal of Comrade Thomas W. Brookbank from the offices of assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general, Department of Utah, Grand Army of the Republic; also collateral financial items pertaining to the business of the Department of Utah, Grand Army of the Republic*

**DIVISION 1—STATEMENT.**—The last paragraph in section 2, article IV, chapter III, of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, 1922, reads as follows: "Provided that any department may at its option consolidate the offices of assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general."

Article V, chapter III, of said rules and regulations makes an exception of the assistant adjutant general and the assistant quartermaster general from the list of elective officers.

Article VI, section 1, chapter III, of said rules and regulations provides that "The department commander shall immediately upon entering his office appoint an 'assistant adjutant general' and an 'assistant quartermaster general' and other appointive officers there named, and may remove these officers at his pleasure."

Chapter III, article VI, section 3, of said rules and regulations defines the duties of the assistant adjutant general and at the conclusion of said section states "that he shall receive as compensation for his services such sum as the department encampment may from time to time determine."

Section 4 of said article VI, chapter III, provides "The assistant quartermaster general shall hold the funds, securities, vouchers, and property of the department and fill all requisitions drawn by the assistant adjutant general and approved by the department commander and shall give good and sufficient security to be approved by the council of administration for the faithful discharge of his duties."

Chapter III, article VII, of said rules and regulations provides for appeals in the course of Grand Army business where any comrade, post, or department feels aggrieved, to which article reference is here made in the decision of the several propositions presented herein for determination.

The papers in this case involve collaterally the interpretation of chapter III, Revised Statutes of Utah, 1933, which read as follows, to wit:

"98-3-1. *Annual appropriation—Veterans.*—For the purpose of providing a permanent annual fund for the regular and contingent expenses of the Department of Utah of the Grand Army of the Republic, including the annual encampment and the printing of the proceedings thereof and of providing funds for the department commander to attend the annual national encampment, and for reasonable compensation for the services of the assistant adjutant general of the Department of Utah, whose services are continuous while holding such position, there is hereby appropriated and set aside annually the sum of \$1,500 out of any moneys in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated.

"98-3-2. *Requisitions.*—The assistant quartermaster general of the Department of Utah of the Grand Army of the Republic shall present his written requisition for such sums in quarterly payments to the State auditor, who shall draw his warrant on the State treasurer for such sums."

The record shows from an extended report of the State auditor of Utah to His Excellency, the Governor of Utah, an official copy of which is on file herein, to which reference is here made that "In September 1933 Elias Price, the acting department commander, appointed Thomas W. Brookbank, a veteran, to be the assistant adjutant general and the assistant quartermaster general, and comrade Brookbank entered upon the performance of his duties in that dual capacity. That following the appointment of the said Thomas W. Brookbank to said twofold office, the said Elias Price, department commander of Utah, Grand Army of the Republic, becoming dissatisfied with the work of the comrade, Thomas W. Brookbank, exercised the privilege granted him under the provisions of chapter III, article VI, section 1, of the organic law of the Grand Army of the Republic, removed the comrade, Thomas W. Brookbank, from the office of assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general by

written notice and order dated Salt Lake City, Utah, August 27, 1934, as shown by certified copy of said notice and order of removal on file in this case, to which reference is here had as a part hereof. That while no formal appeal has ever been taken herein, the parties in interest have voluntarily appeared as shown by the record and are thereby estopped, and each and all of them are bound by the adjudication here and now made in the premises.

DECISION.—From the foregoing statement of the law and facts, your judge advocate general is compelled to decide that the removal of the comrade, Thomas W. Brookbank, from the office of assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general of the Department of Utah, Grand Army of the Republic, August 23, 1934, by Elias Price, commander of the Department of Utah, Grand Army of the Republic, is in harmony therewith and said removal of the comrade is hereby affirmed.

DIVISION II.—In connection with the above and foregoing "Brookbank" case, Department of Utah, Grand Army of the Republic, the following question is submitted:

QUESTION.—Is it proper for the assistant adjutant and quartermaster general to appoint someone to do the work for them? Our commander claims he is the only one with this authority.

ANSWER.—Such appointment may be made by the incumbent officer with the knowledge and consent of the commander. The matter of salary to be paid by the department must be determined by the commander, approved by the council of administration, or such salary may be paid by the incumbent officer out of his personal funds.

DIVISION III.—It will be observed from reading the report of the State auditor of Utah to His Excellency, the Governor of Utah, which said report is attached as a part of the principal case, herein, that there is a conflict between parties claiming orders on the State fund for payments therefrom and the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic is requested to determine the rights of the several parties in the premises. The commander in chief has submitted the questions involved therein to the judge advocate general for his decision, which is here given as follows, to wit:

DECISION.—There is no provision in the organic law of the Grand Army of the Republic that requires or authorizes the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic or any of the national officers thereof to determine property rights between posts, departments, and members of the Grand Army of the Republic except as provided in chapter V, article I, of the rules and regulations. That all other property rights must be determined by the laws of the State where located, between the interested parties. Therefore the said subject matter of property rights involved herein is denied for the want of jurisdiction and the claims therein made are remanded to the Department of Utah, Grand Army of the Republic, to adjust the proper forum by settlement or otherwise.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

(Signed) JAMES W. WILLETT,  
*Judge Advocate General,  
Grand Army of the Republic.*





JAMES W. WILLETT  
JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL



M. H. DAVIDSON  
INSPECTOR GENERAL



## REPORT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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LOUISVILLE, KY., *July 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

I am truly sorry to have to inform you that I have no official report to offer as inspector general, from the fact that during the fall of 1934 a package of the necessary blanks was received from national headquarters for post adjutants, quartermasters, chaplains, etc.; but there were no blanks for post or department inspection or for national inspector. Like other assistant adjutants general, it sometimes become a little effort for me to even ascertain the more essential information from posts concerning their losses by deaths, members dropped, etc., during the term ending December 31, in order to have each post in the department, however few they may be, reported accurately at the following State encampments. No report from any department concerning a department inspection was received by me.

I assure you I appreciated the honor of that appointment. I was truly surprised though, when you appointed me to represent you and the Grand Army of the Republic at the twenty-fifth national encampment, of that very large organization in membership and a fine set of younger American soldiers that met in this city last fall, Veterans of Foreign wars.

That appointment placed me upon the platform at their Encampment with our excellent Governor, Ruby Lafoon, and our fine mayor, Neville Miller, and what I said there concerning our newly elected commander in chief, and the Grand Army of the Republic, seemed to be well received by that vast assemblage.

M. H. DAVIDSON,  
*Inspector General.*

## REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

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LINCOLN, NEBR., *August 10, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Assuming office so late in the term following the death of our beloved Comrade Henry B. Davidson, there has been no opportunity for activity in the work of national patriotic instructor. There is little to report, also, in the work of the departments as most posts and departments now are content to let their affiliated organizations carry on the patriotic work.

I wish to express my thanks to Commander in Chief Stacey for the honor extended to me and to my department in my appointment as national patriotic instructor and I only regret that I cannot submit a better report.

Sincerely in F., C., and L.,

C. P. LOMAX,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*





C. P. LOMAX  
NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR



IRA. R. WILDMAN  
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL



## REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL

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DANBURY, CONN., *July 17, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

COMRADE: My report will be brief, as I have had naught to do. I started in with Commander Stacey to make his trip through the New England States; went to Providence and with him and the national officers of our allied associations was splendidly received by the Department of Rhode Island. After 2 days as their guests, we journeyed by auto to Boston, amid snow and ice, where we saw that strange device (Bunker Hill) the Red Coats had flown, and the city was ours.

After 2 days of Massachusetts hospitality, I became ill and had to return home to recuperate for our own encampment in Hartford, April 16-18. We were honored by the national heads of all our allied associations. At the close of our encampment on the 18th, with the executive committee of our W. R. C., Commander Stacey and wife, and Mrs. Pearl Cooke, national president of the ladies of the G. A. R., we went out to Cromwell and spent a peaceful night at the W. R. C. Home.

This wound up my contact with national affairs but I have been on the constant go since that time, attending receptions and picnics, and my looking forward to our gathering in Grand Rapids in September.

Yours in F., C., and L.,

IRA R. WILDMAN,  
*Assistant Adjutant General.*

## REPORT OF NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

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CHICAGO, ILL., August 5, 1935.

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I regret that I cannot submit a report of work accomplished, owing to my serious illness for several months past. I appreciated the appointment as national chief of staff and thank Commander in Chief Stacey for the confidence placed in me and only regret that I could not have been able to more actively participate in the work of the office.

I wish to express my thanks to Senior Aide-de-Camp John C. Mullins for so willingly taking over the duties of my office when I found in July I could not carry on as I should.

Regretting that I have not a more complete report to offer, I am  
Sincerely in F., C., and L.,

JAMES H. CAMPBELL,  
*National Chief of Staff.*





JAMES H. CAMPBELL  
CHIEF OF STAFF



JOHN C. MULLINS  
SENIOR AIDE-DE-CAMP



## REPORT OF SENIOR AIDE-DE-CAMP

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*Brooklyn, N. Y., August 20, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant-General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Ordinarily there are no duties for the senior aide-de-camp until he arrives at the encampment, but this year on account of the serious illness of the chief of staff, I have been called on to take up the work which he has to do previous to the national encampment. I am glad that I could have been of service to the commander-in-chief and to him.

I wish to thank you for courtesies received and I extend my thanks to commander-in-chief Stacey—a friend of many years—for the honor of appointment on his staff.

Sincerely in F., C., and L.,

JOHN C. MULLINS,  
*Senior Aide-de-Camp.*

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION

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*Falmouth Heights, Mass., August 3, 1935.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: As chairman of the committee on legislation, I regret very much to have to report to you that nothing was accomplished this year. Knowing the condition of the Spanish War and World War Veterans in their work for what they called their "rights", I was advised that we stood no chance to get a hearing in Washington until their question was settled and that our keeping out of the fight now might prove a benefit to us later. I am pleased to say that all our committee agreed with me on this question.

In conclusion, may I say, that each one of us realizes that our ranks are fast becoming a vanishing unit and it has been my prayer that our comrades and widows now living might be given during the next year, the following: All comrades now receiving \$75 a month shall be increased to \$100, and each widow who has lived with her husband at least 5 years prior to his death and cared for him, shall receive \$50 a month.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.,

EDWIN J. FOSTER, *Chairman.*



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**NATIONAL COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION  
HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1935, AT NATIONAL  
HEADQUARTERS IN THE PANTLIND HOTEL, GRAND  
RAPIDS, MICH.**

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The executive committee of the national council of administration convened at 2 p. m., Monday, September 9, 1935, at national headquarters in the Hotel Pantlind, Grand Rapids, Mich., Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey, presiding. In addition to the commander in chief the following members of the committee were present:

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Harding I. Merrill.

Comrade Russell C. Martin, of California and Nevada.

Comrade Emmet F. Taggart, of Ohio.

Comrade Martin V. Stone, of New York.

Comrade John H. Hoffman, of Indiana.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, what is the business before the meeting?

Comrade MARTIN. The first business, perhaps, would be the report of the auditing committee. [Reading.]

*To the Sixty-ninth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, Grand Rapids, Mich.:*

COMRADES: Your committee to whom was entrusted the duty of auditing the accounts of Comrade Samuel P. Town, Quartermaster General, Grand Army of the Republic, beg to report that they have performed the duty assigned them and after carefully checking over the books find a cash balance as per bank certificate of \$3,771.98, of which \$3,675.52 belongs to the southern memorial fund.

The books are systematically and carefully kept, and the Grand Army of the Republic is to be congratulated on having so efficient a quartermaster general as Past Commander in Chief Town.

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
MARTIN V. STONE,  
OLEY NELSON,  
*Auditing Committee.*

Comrade MERRILL. I move the adoption of the report as presented by Comrade Martin. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion, seconded, that the report be adopted. All those in favor say "Aye"; contrary, the same sign. Carried. The report is adopted.

Comrade MARTIN. I don't know in particular what there is for this executive committee to take up at this time. There may be something that one of the comrades here will think of, something that he would like to bring before this committee, but we are getting along pretty good.

Comrade MERRILL. I think you are doing fine.

Comrade MARTIN. Without any disturbance, etc. What we have to act on particularly is to close up the business which this audit closes up, so far as money is concerned; otherwise what we might suggest to the council of administration or to the encampment itself. I don't see anything in particular that I find of business to be done. Some of these comrades may find something. Perhaps they have been thinking of something.

Comrade STONE. There is this, comrades. Last year there was a little discussion about this southern memorial fund, and there was some suggestion about referring it to our council with reference to what should be done.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I have got to plead guilty on part of that. I have only seen one member that is in charge of that fund, and that is the member that I thought would not submit, but she acquiesced right from the word "go", and that was the Illinois lady, the old-timer.

Comrade MARTIN. You are thinking of Flo Jamison Miller?

Commander in Chief STACEY. Yes, and I spoke to her about handling the rest of it, and I don't know whether she has or not. I just got a glance at her yesterday. I thought if there was anyone could get it done she was the one that could put it through, because she has been on that committee for so many years.

Comrade STONE. As reported the fund is still in the hands of the quartermaster general, and it is an idle fund so far as that is concerned.

Commander in Chief STACEY. She acquiesced right from the word "go", when I explained the situation to her. I guess it was out to their encampment I met her. And then I asked her if she would not see the others, and she rather said she would. And, as I say, I only just had a glance of her since I have been here, so I have not had a chance to ask her what success there was to it. But I imagine, you know, that she will put it through.

Comrade MARTIN. This question that Comrade Stone has brought up is the question of transferring some of that fund to our general fund because it is not being used.

Commander in Chief STACEY. That was the proposition. That is what I am asking, is to transfer that fund to our fund.

Comrade MARTIN. I don't hardly think it would do to transfer it all.

Comrade MERRILL. No.

Comrade MARTIN. But \$2,000 maybe. As I understand it we are repeating this memorial work through the South. Just exactly the same thing is being done by other veterans' organizations. The Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Spanish War Veterans are doing all this memorial work exactly the same as our comrades are doing, in the same way that we are. We are spending too much money down there because somebody else was just repeating it. I don't believe that these girls will give up doing that work and getting this money to do it. But this fund is just increasing and might be cut down.

Comrade STONE. How would this do? We don't have any authority at all, but would it be your pleasure to have a selection made of some comrade to confer with these ladies?



Comrade MARTIN. He is the one.

Comrade STONE. I know he was last year, and he pleads guilty to not having it done.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Why not make a motion to continue the committee?

Comrade STONE. I make that motion.

Comrade MERRILL. I second it.

Commander in Chief STACEY. If I need any help I will call on some of you comrades to help me out. You have heard the motion, that the committee on southern memorial fund be continued. All those in favor of it say "Aye"; contrary, "No." [Carried.]

Comrade MERRILL. I think the nicest cemetery in the United States is down at Vicksburg, Miss. The soldiers are buried on terraces. A world of them unknown, unknown.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other business?

Comrade MARTIN. No; not particularly. I don't see anything here in particular. This was all taken up last year and argued over and nothing done. There wasn't anything but talk it over, that is all. The question of the budget comes before the new executive committee after the encampment. That is, it is called right after the encampment when the officers are elected. So there was some of this talk here that doesn't amount to anything.

Commander in Chief STACEY. A motion to adjourn, comrades, then, is in order.

Comrade MERRILL. I make the motion that we now adjourn.

Comrade STONE. Second it.

Commander in Chief STACEY. All those in favor say "aye": contrary? Adjourned. (2:12 p. m.)

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9,  
1935, AT THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN THE  
PANTLIND HOTEL, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.**

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The national council of administration convened at 2:40 p. m., Monday, September 9, 1935, at national headquarters in the Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey presiding.

Upon roll call the following members of the council were found to be present:

Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey.  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief Harding I. Merrill.  
Adjutant General Calvin A. Brainard.  
Quartermaster General Samuel P. Town.  
Inspector General M. H. Davidson.  
Comrade Russell C. Martin, of California and Nevada.  
Comrade James E. Jewel, of Colorado and Wyoming.  
Comrade Henry W. Burrill, of Connecticut.  
Comrade John H. Hoffman, of Indiana.  
Comrade Oley Nelson, of Iowa.  
Comrade E. W. Phillips, of Kansas.  
Comrade Cyrus Edwards,<sup>1</sup> of Kentucky.  
Comrade J. W. Fogler, of Maine.  
Comrade Martin V. Stone, of New York.  
Comrade Emmet F. Taggart, of Ohio.  
Comrade Jacob Barron, of Pennsylvania.  
Comrade John Shearer, of Texas.  
Comrade Ira Stormes, of Utah.  
Comrade John H. Amadon, of Vermont.  
Comrade Thomas Carder, of West Virginia.  
Comrade W. H. Chesbrough, of Wisconsin.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, we will come to order. This is the annual meeting of the national council of administration. We have a quorum present. We will proceed with the business.

The report of the auditing committee to the executive committee (see proceedings of the executive committee in this journal, page 141) was read to the council, and upon motion, duly put and carried, was approved.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other business to come before the council?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Should there be anything come before the council of administration as to the meeting at Washington, D. C., in 1936?

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<sup>1</sup> Came in during the meeting.



Commander in Chief STACEY. Well, hasn't it been customary to leave that subject for the encampment to work on?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Yes, it always has been, but what is the feeling of the council of administration? Express yourselves.

Comrade MARTIN. I want to go to Washington.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. So do I, but I ain't going to march down there if the rebels have their flag out.

Comrade MARTIN. That comes later, after we get there.

Commander in Chief STACEY. There isn't any invitation for the Confederates on this Washington meeting. They are left out. This invitation is only for the Boys in Blue.

Comrade STONE. In order to know just what that Washington invitation includes, has anyone got a copy of the invitation here?

Comrade MARTIN. I think that is entirely out of order. We are a council of administration here, and this invitation will come before our encampment when it is properly organized and in session.

Comrade STONE. The question is not before us.

Comrade MARTIN. And there is no way to bring it before us. It is a question that comes before the encampment when it is in session.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. I just thought we might take a little expression here and see how the boys felt, whether they wanted to all go down there.

Comrade MARTIN. I want to go to Washington and walk down Pennsylvania Avenue. I don't care whether there is a rebel flag flying or anything else. I want to march down Pennsylvania Avenue.

Comrade SHEARER. You are right, commander in chief.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. How many of the comrades are going to walk in the parade? What do you think about it?

Commander in Chief STACEY. As to the parade Wednesday morning, some of the boys are going to march until they fall down. There must not be anything but uniformed Sons of Veterans in front of us. I believe the G. A. R. boys want to walk next to the flags, and then after that the autos that carry the cripples and the fellows that don't want to march, let them follow the others.

Comrade AMADON. I cannot carry a flag very well. I have got two grandsons that would carry my flags. Have you any objections?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. The rules and regulations prohibit anybody except Grand Army men in the parade. As far as I am concerned, if there was a dozen I would be willing for them to march.

Comrade AMADON. The last few years we have had Boy Scouts. Vermont has only got two men here anyway.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Why shouldn't they be admitted to carry the flag?

Comrade JEWEL. This is a matter that is left to a particular officer to arrange for the parade, and we have no business to be monkeying along with it now. We have got business here for the council. Let's finish that business and let the boys discuss this matter as they please.

I just want to call the attention of the commander in chief to this. At the last meeting of the council of administration a motion

was made that the commander in chief appoint a committee of three to confer with the Woman's Relief Corps as to what disposition should be made of the memorial fund.

Commander in Chief STACEY. We have just disposed of that. That committee is continued.

Comrade JEWEL. That committee was to report at this meeting.

Commander in Chief STACEY. We did report. I was on the committee and I reported that I had seen Mrs. Miller and she had partially agreed to see the others, and I have not been able to see her since I got here except just twice passed her down on the floor. I don't know whether the rest of you have seen her or not.

Comrade JEWEL. The committee was appointed?

Commander in Chief STACEY. The committee was appointed and then today there was a motion made that the committee be continued, and that was passed and entered on the minutes.

Comrade JEWEL. The council of administration has not been in session for any business, for anything, till now. The executive committee has no control over it. Here is the motion that was made by Comrade Foster. Here is what he says:

Quartermaster General TOWN. It is their money.

Comrade FOSTER. So that is the situation, that the old council recommends to this new council that the commander in chief appoint a committee of three to consult with these orders and to make our report next year to this council. I make that as a motion.

Commander in Chief STACEY. You have heard the motion. Any remarks? All those in favor of it say "aye." Contrary, the same sign. Carried. How much was the appropriation that you wanted for that?

Comrade FOSTER. That does not have anything—this is a separate fund. It is called the southern memorial fund. Now, we want to provide for an executive committee.

The commander in chief was to appoint a committee to consult with the Woman's Relief Corps and report at this meeting, not at the executive committee. The question was what we should do with that memorial fund. We have a memorial fund of, it was reported here, \$3,600. The Grand Army of the Republic has been acting as a trustee for the Woman's Relief Corps for the last 40 years. They have simply acted as trustee and have paid out this money as the Woman's Relief Corps called for it. Now, I have thought a good deal on this subject, I have talked with quite a number of the women of the Woman's Relief Corps, and I have got a resolution that I want to present to this council. This resolution will express my ideas, and I have talked with several of the leading comrades and they all so far think that we ought to pass this. And this is the resolution:

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., *September 9, 1935.*

The Sixty-ninth Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. The council of administration of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Many years ago the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, established a "southern memorial fund" to be used for the decoration of the graves of our comrades buried in the southland. The Grand Army of the Republic was made the trustee of said memorial fund, which trust they gladly accepted, and administered the same as the W. R. C. directed, and for many years have acted as a depository for said fund.

It is now apparent to all members of the Grand Army of the Republic that our race as an organization is nearly run. The average ages of the remaining comrades is over 90 years, and it is inevitable that we must very soon



cease to carry on as an organization. It would seem the rational thing to do is to ask the Woman's Relief Corps, our auxiliary, to relieve the Grand Army of the Republic from further responsibility in this memorial fund, and that we, the Grand Army of the Republic, should resign as "trustees of this fund and return to the Woman's Relief Corps all funds under our control and receive their receipt in full and our final discharge as such trustee.

Therefore, be it resolved by this council of administration of the Grand Army of the Republic, at its annual meeting, this the sixty-ninth encampment, and this the 9th day of September, A. D. 1935, that the quartermaster general of the Grand Army of the Republic be instructed to pay over to the treasurer of the Woman's Relief Corps any and all moneys held by it, or the said quartermaster general, as trustee of said memorial fund, taking their receipt therefor, to be filed with the records of the quartermaster general's office.

Second. That this resolution be submitted to the Grand Army of the Republic at its sixty-ninth encampment for their approval.

Witness our hands this 9th day of September, A. D. 1935.

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*Commander in Chief of the G. A. R., President.*

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*Adjutant General of the G. A. R., Secretary.*

I move the adoption of this resolution.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. I would like to have the secretary read what the executive committee did in regard to that fund. I would like to have the reporter read his minutes.

(The Shorthand Reporter. The commander in chief reported that he had conferred with Mrs. Flo Jamison Miller, that she seemed agreeable to the proposition, that negotiations were still pending, and upon motion the committee was continued.)

Comrade JEWEL. I would just say the executive committee has nothing to do with this. This is a matter for the council of administration.

Comrade MARTIN. Commander, this committee is still empowered. You were appointed last year and you are still continuing. You are not out. You are still continuing. It will conflict with this resolution because the report you are going to make is a continuing report and this report is a positive report that he wants carried to the encampment. I am not objecting to this. I think it is right. But I am trying to get these two resolutions and ideas apart, that is all. I am in favor of what you have got there. Our committee has talked with the Woman's Relief Corps, and it has not concluded. Whether this resolution would in some way block what they have been trying to do and we would be overlapping. They would conflict with each other.

Comrade JEWEL. Not the least in the world. My idea is this. The Grand Army of the Republic has had charge of this fund simply as trustees. We don't own a penny in it. We never have owned a cent in it, and we have simply been taking care of it. Now we are all old men and in another year from now perhaps half of us will not be here, and it is time that we as an organization began to prepare for the end that must come. And that is why I have introduced this resolution for this council to take action on. Now, when that committee reports, if they do report, and the women will say that they do not want us to surrender our stewardship will be another question. But this is for the relief of the Grand Army of the Republic; don't conflict with anything else.

Comrade MARTIN. What I am trying to do is to relieve this committee of their obligation. They are not out. He has got to make a report. He was a committee, and others with him.

Comrade JEWEL. He should have made a report today.

Comrade MARTIN. He has got to make a report here and then we can act on your motion.

Comrade JEWEL. This council of administration is going to adjourn sine die—perhaps in the next 20 minutes or half an hour. Now then this committee that was appointed was to report to this council. If the council adjourns who are you going to report to?

Comrade MARTIN. I want him to report before we act on yours. Let him report.

Comrade JEWEL. He hasn't any report.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Not ready here; no. Whether that fund is handled by the executive committee or the council of administration——

Comrade MARTIN. The council of administration.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I will make the same report here that I made to the executive committee, that I met Mrs. Miller and she seemed very favorable to a transfer of the fund to the Grand Army of the Republic, and I made a partial arrangement with her to see the other trustees. Now it is a question of simply continuation of the committee for another year, or till that thing is settled, and I can see no loss to the Grand Army over it, because the money is in the bank and cared for. So the other way then you have given up the fund to the Woman's Relief Corps under this resolution. It comes back to that, and of course the chances are then that you will never get a cent of it. If we can fix it up so that this committee that has charge of it can get this money transferred, why then we are just so much ahead and we have got 6 months to a year more life for the Grand Army. Under the circumstances I would make a motion that the committee be granted an extended time.

Comrade NELSON. And report to a later meeting.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Report to the next meeting of the council whenever—not the next meeting—the next meeting after this encampment. I don't care when it is. I will get it off my hands.

Comrade JEWEL. Let me just suggest, commander, we are going to be here 4 or 5 days yet. Now let's, when we adjourn, adjourn to meet—this council to meet at another date. By that time you can have your report in, and then the council can hold another meeting. If we adjourn sine die, we have another new council.

Comrade SHEARER. If it is their money, what business have we got with it? Why not give it to them if it is their money? What is the use of having this cross-firing going on? Let's get down to business and get through.

Commander in Chief STACEY. It is immaterial to me.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief MERRILL. Did you second that motion of Comrade Jewel's?

Comrade SHEARER. No.

Comrade STORMES. I seconded that motion.

Comrade SHEARER. I didn't understand the situation until it was explained it was their money. If it is their money, give it to them.



Commander in Chief STACEY. Any more remarks upon the question?

Comrade HOFFMAN. The adoption of this resolution, I should think, would eliminate that committee entirely.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Was that motion seconded? You have heard the motion, comrades, that the southern memorial fund that is held that belongs to the Woman's Relief Corps be returned to them.

Quartermaster General TOWN. Unfortunately I just came into the room, and I am myself a little confused as to what is being considered. I didn't know that the Woman's Relief Corps had any money at all. What is it? What are we talking about?

(Resolution offered by Past Commander in Chief Jewel read by the shorthand reporter.)

Quartermaster General TOWN. I make a motion that the whole matter be postponed indefinitely. Then we will know what is being done.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Is Comrade Town's motion seconded? [Motion seconded.] Comrades, you have heard the motion of Comrade Town, that this matter be postponed indefinitely. All those in favor of that will raise their right hand. I think there are eight. All those opposed? There seems to be nine. Now you have heard the motion that this fund be returned to the Woman's Relief Corps.

Comrade DAVIDSON. I would like to ask a question. Does this money all go back to the Woman's Relief Corps, or part to the Ladies of the Grand Army? Is it divided up?

Comrade JEWEL. It all belongs to the Woman's Relief Corp. They put it in here, every dollar of it.

Quartermaster General TOWN. I think we ought to keep it.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I would like to know if there is anybody here that knows whether that belongs to the Grand Army, or belongs to the Woman's Relief Corps and simply held by the Grand Army as a trust fund. That is what I have been trying to find out. There doesn't seem to be anyone that knows how that fund got into our hands.

Comrade JEWEL. I can tell you just how it got it. The Woman's Relief Corps organized this relief fund and they turned it over to the Grand Army of the Republic simply to hold and to be used in the decoration of the graves as the Woman's Relief Corps might direct. The Woman's Relief Corps have put every single penny into that fund and they own every dollar of it, as I said before; with all due respect to Comrade Town, who has handled it and he has been handling it all right. We have no lease on life. Indeed, boys, last year Comrade Foster stood here in this council and he said he expected to live to be a hundred years old. Inside of 30 days Comrade Foster was under the ground. And our beloved Comrade Arensberg said about the same thing, and he made a wonderfully fine talk to us, and before 30 days he was under the ground. Now, there is no question on earth but what many of us will be under the sod before we meet another year. Why should we burden ourselves with this and have that on our hands, because you don't know whether we will ever hold another session or not of this Grand Army of the Re-

public? We are here but a short time. I say the thing for us to do is what any sane businessman would do when the end is approaching, make his will and dispose of his property in a proper manner. Now, we have not done that. It has been opposed by many members of the Grand Army of the Republic. I say the time has come when we as members of the Grand Army of the Republic should act like businessmen and dispose of our property. And there is no set of persons on this earth that is so able and so worthy of the bounties of the Grand Army of the Republic as the Woman's Relief Corps. They have stood by us, they have made us what we are, and they have year after year contributed from \$1,000 to \$2,500 to carry on our work. Now then, when we are through, let us see that they are taken care of. That is all I want, this money to go back to them, and let them do what they please with it. I think the time has come. Mind you, this is not an absolute end to this. The resolution says it shall be submitted to the meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, there to be approved or rejected by them. This is a recommendation of the council. That is all it is.

Quartermaster General TOWN. I would like to ask if the Woman's Relief Corps have asked to have that money back.

Comrade JEWEL. Many of them have.

Quartermaster General TOWN. As an organization?

Comrade JEWEL. The matter will come up before them today or tomorrow.

Quartermaster General TOWN. When it comes before them and they ask for a return of that money it is well for us to consider it. I don't think we want to give them any money back until they ask for it if they have authority. But I believe it belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic. I think we should keep it. As far as our organization dying, we are not going to die in a year. You may, but we are not.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrade Jewel, in your talk there, you referred to disposition of the rest of the funds, did you not? You referred to the return of any funds that the Grand Army have?

Comrade JEWEL. No, no; I said that we ought to, as businessmen, make arrangements to return any funds we have got when we are through.

Quartermaster General TOWN. We are not through for some years yet.

Comrade JEWEL. I remember reading in the Old Book——

Comrade AMADON. In Vermont we have made our will. We are going to turn over when we disorganize every cent. I think the national should do the same thing.

Comrade JEWEL. Reading about a man that said that he had much goods and who laid it up in barns and said to himself, "Now take thine ease." But he heard a voice that night, and it said, "Thou fool, this night thy soul is required of thee, and whose will all these things be?" We are in the same condition, boys.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any further remarks?

Comrade FOGLER. It is a duty which we have to perform to them to surrender this money to them.

Comrade DAVIDSON. As I look at this thing, the Woman's Relief Corps, of course, really, we will admit has been a very liberal con-



tributor to this Grand Army for many years past. Likewise, the Ladies of the Grand Army and also the Daughters of Veterans. Now, in case this money is going back to them, I would suggest that it be divided pro rata. [Cries of "No."]

Comrade FOGLER. As I understand, you are simply returning the money that they have contributed in years past?

Comrade JEWEL. All we are going to do is to return the money that they have put in here as a reserve fund.

Comrade DAVIDSON. How about the Ladies of the Grand Army?

Comrade JEWEL. They never put in a dollar.

Quartermaster General TOWN. The Woman's Relief Corps have contributed all this money, but they have given it to the Grand Army of the Republic, and every year they ask for a certain amount of money for them to defray the expenses of putting flowers and the flag on our southern graves, and I think that has been done for years and years, generally satisfactorily to the Woman's Relief Corps and to the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I see no reason why we should change the method now.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other remarks?

Comrade SHEARER. I would say, coming from the State of Texas, we never have received one nickel. We have done it ourselves. Never received any fund of that kind. I have been in the post. I lived there for 38 years, and I am holding the post together today.

Quartermaster General TOWN. Where is that?

Comrade SHEARER. Houston, Tex. We pay for our flags and do our own decorating. We don't call on anybody. We have done that right along, and if they have that fund we never got any. The Government furnishes \$50 to San Antonio and it is sacred to that post.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Any other remarks. If there is nothing further on this question then we will put it to a vote. All those in favor of this resolution—Will the clerk read it? (Resolution read.)

Comrade PHILLIPS. I got in late here, but I want to tell you I have attended a great many Grand Army of the Republic encampments, national encampments, and I have always noticed the Woman's Relief Corps would make a donation, and next would come the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Comrade JEWEL. They never made a donation in the world.

Comrade PHILLIPS. I saw the Daughters of the Union Veterans make a donation of over a thousand dollars. I don't know that the Sons of Veterans ever made one. But those three others have made donations. I want to know if the ones that the Daughters made, and the Woman's Relief Corps made, and the Ladies of the Grand Army, all go into the funds of the Corps.

Quartermaster General TOWN. No. I will state to the comrade that he is correct so far as the donations are concerned, but those donations are made absolutely and completely to the Grand Army of the Republic for the Grand Army of the Republic's use. The other donations by the Woman's Relief Corps are made for the specific purpose of taking care of the graves in the South which have no one to take care of them. I think, Commander—I don't

know that I would be in order—but I would make the motion that this whole resolution be laid on the table.

Comrade SHEARER. I second the motion.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Comrades, you have heard the motion that the whole business be laid on the table. All those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, the same sign. We will take a standing vote on that. All those in favor of that please rise. (12.) All those opposed to it? (4.) [Carried.]

Any other business to come before the meeting? If not, a motion to adjourn will be in order.

Comrade NELSON. Adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief.

Commander in Chief STACEY. The motion is to adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief. All those in favor of it say "Aye." Contrary, "No." [Carried.]

(3:35 p. m.)

NOTE.—A true and correct history of the Southern memorial fund and contributors thereto will be prepared for the next national encampment.—EDITOR.



**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION HELD AT NATIONAL HEADQUAR-  
TERS IN THE PANTLIND HOTEL, GRAND RAPIDS,  
MICH., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1935**

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The new council of administration met pursuant to the call of the commander in chief at national headquarters in the Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., Thursday, September 12, 1935. The meeting was called to order at 4:10 o'clock p. m., and upon roll call the following members were found to be in attendance:

Commander in Chief Oley Nelson, Slater, Iowa.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Adjutant General John P. Risley, Des Moines, Iowa.

Quartermaster General Samuel P. Town, Philadelphia, Pa.

Judge Advocate General James W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.

Comrade Russell C. Martin, of California and Nevada.

Comrade James E. Jewel, of Colorado and Wyoming.

Comrade A. C. Best, of Illinois.

Comrade John H. Hoffman, of Indiana.

Comrade J. C. Hanes, of Iowa.

Comrade Isaac Grant, of Michigan.

Comrade Samuel E. Mahan, of Minnesota.

Comrade Spencer Smith, of New Jersey.

Comrade Martin V. Stone, of New York.

Comrade Jacob Barron, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade T. F. Coley, of Washington and Alaska.

Commander in Chief NELSON. I would say, gentlemen of the council, that this is a little new business to me. But I have been on the council for years from Iowa. At this time it is good that we get together and talk things over, so that we may understand where we are going. I will call on Past Commander in Chief Martin to make a statement to us so that we will be clear as to what we are here for.

Comrade MARTIN. I haven't any statement made out, so I will follow somewhat the journal of last year. If you will remember, at our encampment in Springfield we made a budget. That has been continued. We cut everything to the bottom, or thought we did. We cut the adjutant general's salary from \$100 a month to \$400 a year. We cut Comrade Town's salary, and we cut in every direction. At that time, from the amount of money that we had on hand, we figured out about how long it would last. And it did not seem possible that under any conditions we could cut these salaries and these expenses any more. At that time we even cut off the money that was paid for the traveling expenses

of those that were detailed to attend the different encampments—they would have to pay their own expense—and every way that it was possible to make any reductions. So at this time I don't see how we are going to cut our expenses unless we cut out offices. There seems to be just about so much for printing, so much for different absolute expenses. There is a certain amount of travel. There is a certain amount of expense of bringing you here to this encampment and taking you away again, and in different ways. We do not have the permanent fund report here, so we cannot tell anything about the permanent fund other than what we have got in the journal. Our trustee is not here. So in talking over about the future we have nothing to go by except what is in this journal. Last year we cut the commander in chief's traveling allowance from \$1,800 to \$1,500. They increased it from \$1,500 because they said I was too far away, that it would cost me a little more to travel to go over the country than it would for those living in the central portion; and they raised my salary to \$1,800 and they cut it back to \$1,500 for this present year.

So I don't just see where we are going to change our budget at this time. Maybe some of you have studied this budget and understand it. I think Comrade Town understands it better than I do, because this money all goes through his hands, and to whom it is paid.

Comrade STONE. Isn't there included in the report there the amount that was fixed for these general items you refer to?

Comrade MARTIN. From Dr. Arensberg's report we had about \$22,000 a year ago, and from this report of the trustees of the permanent fund here there seems to be \$17,000 in stocks and \$688 in the principal fund of the permanent fund. Is that right, Comrade Town?

Quartermaster General TOWN. Yes, sir; that is probably correct. I don't think the council could go amiss in following the example of the last council, having the salaries and the traveling expenses fixed the same as they were last year. I think we will be able to pull through and have a nice little balance at the end of the year. Commander in Chief Stacey has received \$3,000 from the auxiliary and allies.

Comrade STONE. That was an increase over last year.

Quartermaster General TOWN. I don't think there would be any mistake made, commander in chief, in doing just as we did last year, making the salaries the same and the traveling expenses just the same. I think we would come out all right at the end of the year.

Comrade MARTIN. I don't see how we can change them unless we make some radical change that I don't believe it would be advisable for our organization to do—not at present. We haven't got quite far enough ahead yet to have to give up the job.

Comrade JEWEL. It seems to me that the thing for us to do is to ascertain how much we have got that we dare spend. We have only got \$17,000 in the permanent fund. A resolution was passed at St. Paul in 1933 that the council should not draw to exceed \$4,000 from the permanent fund for any year. Well, if I understand the record, the last administration drew \$1,400 more than the amount allotted.



Comrade MARTIN. There was still a further motion to add 10 percent to that, wasn't there, last year?

Comrade JEWEL. Not last year. The council could not change it. The only power that can change our rules and regulations is the encampment. And the encampment did not add anything to that, so it leaves us with the most that it is possible for this administration to draw from the permanent fund is \$4,000 this coming year.

Comrade STONE. Not to exceed \$4,000.

Comrade JEWEL. That is the sum that it can legally draw. Then there has been appropriated or donated \$3,000, which would make \$7,000, and we have a little money besides, don't we, Comrade Town, about five or six hundred dollars besides? So it would leave us \$7,500 that is available. In making our budget we must be careful and not go over \$7,500. If we do we are exceeding our legal authority, and I trust that this administration will see that we do not overstep the line.

Quartermaster General TOWN. Why don't you offer a resolution that the expenses of the coming year shall not be over \$7,500?

Comrade JEWEL. I think the better way is to do as we did last year, prepare a budget.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Can you prepare one?

Comrade JEWEL. I move you that the expense account of the Commander in chief be fixed at \$1,500—the traveling expense. That is all the expense he has.

Quartermaster General TOWN. I second that motion.

Commander in Chief NELSON. It has been moved and seconded that the traveling expenses for the commander in chief be set for the ensuing year at \$1,500. Is that correct? Any remarks? Those in favor of the motion say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Carried. So the traveling expenses for the commander in chief for the ensuing year is \$1,500. Has the secretary so recorded it?

The Reporter. He has.

Comrade JEWEL. I move you that the salary of the adjutant general be fixed the same as last year, \$400.

Comrade MARTIN. I will second the motion.

Commander in Chief NELSON. It has been moved and seconded that the Adjutant General's salary be \$400. Is that correct? Are you ready for the question? Those in favor of the motion say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Carried, Mr. Secretary. What is the next?

Comrade JEWEL. The next officer is the quartermaster general. Heretofore we have given a salary to the quartermaster general. Some years ago it was \$500, and \$300 a year to the custodian of records. Three years ago when Comrade Wright was elected we consolidated the office of quartermaster general and custodian of records. It is practically all office work, and the only thing connected with it is the responsibility of handling the funds. I don't want to make all these motions. How much shall we allow the Quartermaster General?

Comrade MARTIN. I make the motion that he be allowed the same, because we seem to have a budget that just about fits the case. We are going through all these items.

Comrade STONE. How much is it?

Quartermaster General TOWN. \$600 for the two offices, where it used to be \$800.

Commander in Chief NELSON. That is seconded; \$600 for the two offices. Those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Secretary, carried. What is the next?

Comrade JEWEL. The salary of the secretary to the commander in chief. She is the laboring oar of the Grand Army of the Republic; isn't that so?

Quartermaster General TOWN. That is right.

Comrade MARTIN. She does the work.

Commander in Chief NELSON. She does the work and she ought to have the same salary.

Comrade MARTIN. Her salary has not been less than \$1,800 a year for some time.

Comrade JEWEL. I move that we fix her salary at \$1,800.

Comrade MARTIN. I second the motion.

Commander in Chief NELSON. It has been moved and seconded that we fix the salary of the Secretary for the Grand Army, Miss Flood, at \$1,800. Those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Carried, Mr. Secretary. Now, what is next?

Comrade JEWEL. We have heretofore, and I have questioned in my mind whether it is the proper thing to do, appropriated so much money for extra traveling expense for persons outside of the Commander in Chief.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Didn't we do away with that last year?

Comrade MARTIN. This is something else.

Comrade JEWEL. The commander in chief will have to make some visits. He will have to go certain places, and it will be necessary for him to take his secretary with him. Who is going to pay her traveling expenses? When you go to Washington to make that contract with the city of Washington for next year's encampment you will want——

Commander in Chief NELSON. The secretary.

Comrade JEWEL. You will want to take the secretary with you. You will want to take the adjutant general. And you will want to take your judge advocate general with you.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Yes, sir.

Comrade JEWEL. And these traveling expenses will all have to be met.

Comrade MARTIN. Comrade Jewel, let me read this paragraph (reading a portion of the eighth paragraph on p. 160 of the journal of the sixty-eighth national encampment). That is what you are talking about.

Comrade JEWEL. I have my doubts whether that will meet it this year, because you have got to go to Washington. That is a long trip. You want to take that into consideration. Another thing, we want to remember we cannot go over \$7,500. But it would seem to me that the traveling expenses outside of the commander in chief's traveling expenses, in view of the fact we have to make such a long trip and it is an expensive place to stop in Washington, that the traveling expenses for the coming year be fixed at \$800. I make that as a motion.

Comrade MARTIN. I will second the motion.



Commander in Chief NELSON. State the question so I understand it.

Comrade JEWEL. That the traveling expense for the officials under the direction of the commander in chief shall not exceed \$800.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Is the motion seconded?

Comrade MARTIN. I seconded it.

Commander in Chief NELSON. It has been moved and seconded that the extra traveling expenses for the Commander in Chief shall not exceed \$800. Those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Carried, secretary.

Comrade JEWEL. I would like to make this motion, that under no consideration shall the administration draw from the permanent fund to exceed \$4,000; and I want to add to that in this way, in case that the money on hand, which will be about \$7,500, is not sufficient to meet all of these salaries, that there be deducted from the salaries and expense account in proportion enough to bring it down to \$7,500.

Comrade MARTIN. I would second that motion, because we have got to do it.

Commander in Chief NELSON. State the motion again so that I can state it to the Council.

Comrade JEWEL. Under no consideration shall this administration draw from the permanent fund to exceed \$4,000, and that if it is found that the money on hand, to wit, \$7,500, is not sufficient to meet the salaries and expense account as provided hereby, that there shall be deducted from the various parties their proportionate share of the deficiency.

Comrade STONE. You could not very well deduct from the printing bills.

Comrade JEWEL. You have got to cut down your printing bills. I found this thing out, and this is the custom of the country. The Grand Army pays cash for everything it gets and they are entitled to the commercial discounts. For instance, you give a man a job of \$150 or \$200 of printing, or \$300. He makes out his bill and you are entitled to a 2 percent discount on it. That is the custom of the country. I found you can save a lot of money by preparing your manuscripts and going to different printing offices and job offices and getting bids on your work. I found that during my administration I saved several hundred dollars simply by going around and getting bids from different fellows.

Comrade MARTIN. This first motion that you had regarding this total of money, and you mentioned if you are going to overrun that you have got to do something; and that is before the house. I have got another one here following that, but let's do away with that.

Commander in Chief NELSON. What was the motion?

(Motion read by the reporter.)

Comrade MARTIN. I think that motion should cover money that is not salaries.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Is that agreeable to you?

Comrade JEWEL. I don't think it is. For instance here, the quartermaster general——

Quartermaster General TOWN. I don't think there is any occasion for this at all, because we will not exceed \$7,500.

Comrade JEWEL. I think we can get through on it, but it is simply a matter of caution to hold them down.

Comrade MARTIN. It might better be understood by this council of administration that they would not spend more than this.

Comrade STONE. Is there need of this latter clause if you have it fixed that it shall not exceed? Leave it just as it is now. If you fix that, "You shall not exceed that amount, \$7,500," doesn't that cover it?

Quartermaster General TOWN. I think so.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Is that satisfactory to you, that it shall not exceed \$7,500?

Comrade JEWEL. Yes, I included that.

Comrade MARTIN. It has been in force.

Commander in Chief NELSON. How could we get that money back?

Comrade MARTIN. What I wanted to bring up was printing. We didn't make any appropriation for it, as we were speaking about these different items. I should like to read this paragraph [reading fifth paragraph from the bottom of page 163 of the journal of the sixty-eighth national encampment.] That is before us.

Commander in chief NELSON. You don't need \$1,500.

(NOTE: Printing this year came under \$1,000. Editor.)

Commander in Chief NELSON. How would the motion stand then? How would it stand, so we understand it; \$1,500 for printing, is that it?

Comrade MARTIN. If it is needed.

Quartermaster General TOWN. \$1,500 for printing and postage, or so much as is required of that.

Comrade MARTIN. I second that motion.

Commander in Chief NELSON. It has been moved and seconded that on this question of printing and postage there be appropriated \$1,500, or as much as we need—it shall not exceed that during the ensuing year. Those in favor of that motion say "Aye." Contrary "No." Carried, secretary.

Comrade JEWEL. Was that other motion put and carried?

Commander in Chief NELSON. What was the other motion?

Comrade JEWEL. The other motion was that under no consideration should the administration draw to exceed \$4,000 from the permanent fund.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Is there a second to that motion?

Comrade STONE. I seconded the motion.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Moved and seconded it should not include more than \$4,000 from the permanent fund. Is that stated correctly? Those in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary "No." Carried, secretary.

Comrade JEWEL. I move that \$200 be appropriated for the reporter for this encampment, and the typewriting of the record.

Comrade MARTIN. Second that motion.

Commander in Chief NELSON. Moved and seconded that there be appropriated for the expense of reporting and furnishing transcript of the proceedings at this session, \$200. Those in favor of \$200 will say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Carried, secretary.

Comrade MARTIN. We have got another item. Who will edit the journal?



Comrade JEWEL. It is customary for the outgoing commander in chief to edit and compile the journal. We have been allowing \$200, but I want to say that that is a lot of money for the work that is connected with it, because you have got the typewritten report of the stenographer. You don't have to rewrite a single bit of it. It is all got up in good shape. You have got the reports of all the officers. They are in print. You don't have to bother with them. As hard up as we are for money I think \$100 for the compiling and editing of the journal gives any man good pay.

Commander in Chief NELSON. What is your opinion, Comrade Town?

Quartermaster General TOWN. I think \$100 would repay the man all right, because, as Comrade Jewel has said, the stenographer has done the work. It seems to me that \$100 would be sufficient. I think the commander in chief would undertake it for a hundred dollars. I know I would.

Comrade JEWELL. I move you that we appropriate \$100 for the editing and compiling of the journal.

Comrade STONE. Second the motion.

Commander in Chief NELSON. It has been moved and seconded that we pay \$100. Those in favor of the motion will say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Carried, secretary. Now what else have we got?

Comrade MARTIN. Nothing that I know of, unless we talk about the future of our organization and what we are going to do with it. The members of the council of administration are not only the law-makers, but they are the brains. They expect us to make recommendations if we have any. Somebody here might have some recommendations of what would be beneficial to us.

Quartermaster General TOWN. I don't think we ought to burden the new administration with any suggestions. I think with the present commander in chief having as close connection as he does with the judge advocate general, we could leave it to them. If there are any innovations they want to introduce I think they are perfectly competent to do it. I think the council should just let this whole matter rest with the commander in chief for the coming year. I think we would make no mistake in doing that.

Comrade MARTIN. Commander in Chief, I just spoke of this that way because some one of us might have some ideas that they would like to express. If so and you would get them off your chest you would go home feeling better.

(Informal discussion off the record as to the future of the Grand Army of the Republic.)

Commander in Chief NELSON. Is there any other question that you want to bring up before we adjourn?

Comrade STONE. If there is no other question, Commander in Chief, I move that we now adjourn to meet at the call of the commander in chief. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief NELSON. The motion is that we now adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief. Are you ready for the question? Those in favor of that question say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Carried.

I wish to state that I want to thank you all for your courteous attention to this first meeting that we have had together and in the

discussing of different views as to how many years the organization will continue, as we are nearing the end of the history of the Grand Army of the Republic.

And I wish to say to you that you have shown to the Grand Army of the Republic in your former life and to the commanders in chief your courtesy, your helpfulness and suggestions to them that have carried the Grand Army up to where it is today. And all I ask of you as the new man is to permit me to say to you that I shall endeavor to follow along the lines that have been laid and given to me by such men as you and your counsel; and I hope that the administrative year with your advice will be a success till we meet again. We are adjourned. (4:54 p. m.)



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**JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE IN THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM,  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., ON SUNDAY EVENING, SEP-  
TEMBER 8, 1935, 8:40 P. M.**

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Col. John G. Emery, General Chairman, presiding.

Chairman EMERY. It is most fitting that the first expression at a meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic shall be one in memory of those dear comrades who have passed to the Great Beyond. So tonight in this very brief service we are going to pay that tribute. If you will please stand you will listen to the invocation pronounced by Lester C. Doerr, chaplain of the One Hundredth and Twenty-sixth Infantry.

Chaplain DOERR. Let us pray. Eternal God, our Father, we thank Thee for this occasion of memory and inspiration which brings us together. We thank Thee for the privilege of associating at this time with these men and women who have exemplified the true meaning of service, who have shown us the meaning of the Master's words, who said that He came not to be ministered unto but to minister. And we thank Thee, our Heavenly Father, for this privilege of knowing them in this intimate way. We ask Thy blessing upon our Government. May it ever be united. May it, our Heavenly Father, be guided under those principles and ideals for which men have given their lives upon the field of battle. And may those who sit in high places and direct the destinies of our Government be guided according to those principles. We pray Thy blessing upon this meeting, upon those who shall preside and bring us the messages, and may each one of us be inspired and our lives be made more worthwhile. And may we find better our places in serving our community, State, and Nation because of this meeting tonight. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

"Star-Spangled Banner."

Chairman EMERY. It has been said that actions speak louder than words. One of the finest tributes that it is possible to pay will be the placing of floral tributes by members of the Grand Army of the Republic and allied organizations to their departed comrades and members. In the service which is going to take place at this time the commander in chief of the G. A. R., followed by presidents of the auxiliary organizations, will carry out this ceremony.

Placing of floral tributes by Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief, Grand Army of the Republic; Mrs. Lizetta Coady, national president, Woman's Relief Corps; Mrs. Pearl C. Cooke, national president, Ladies of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Matilda D. Roberts, national president, Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War; Frank L. Kirchgassner, commander in chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and Mrs. Gertrude M. Sautter, national president, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Vocal solo, "I Tell You They Have Not Died", Mr. Lynn H. Clark. Mr. Carl Sennema, accompanist.

Chairman EMERY. We are particularly fortunate tonight in having with us the Hon. William W. Potter, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan. Judge Potter may tell you this in the course of his remarks, but lest he might forget I am going to tell you—maybe I am stealing his thunder—that he is the son of a Civil War veteran, one who went into the service with his three brothers, all of whom were wounded in action, but fortunately he came back. And Justice Potter in his early days was really steeped in the spirit of the Grand Army of the Republic.

It affords me a great deal of pleasure and I deem it a very great honor to present to you at this time the Hon. William W. Potter, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan.

Chief Justice POTTER. Mr. Chairman, members of the Grand Army of the Republic and affiliated organizations:

I confess that I regard it as a distinguished honor to have been invited to address the members of these various patriotic organizations, and particularly of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Nothing that I can do or say will add anything to the glory which is theirs. We may erect monuments and costly memorials, we may decorate graves with flowers, but all these sink into insignificance beside the splendid monument erected by the glory of their arms—a reunited country. [Applause.]

I can say nothing that will pay proper tribute to the memory of those who have gone beyond. I speak rather to the living—because it is something for the younger generation to live with those men who stood with Vincent and with Warren holding Little Round Top, the key to the Battle of Gettysburg, who met the fierce and deadly charge of the murderous Texans, who followed the intrepid Chamberlain, who aided in the repulse of that most magnificent charge of the war when the veterans of Pickett, the flower of southern chivalry, captured Cemetery Ridge and planted the Confederate flag in triumph upon its summit, only to be annihilated by the heroic and bloody charge of the invincible corps of Hancock.

It is something to be acquainted with those who were at Peebles Farm, where the gallant Partridge was wounded and the fearless Welsh was killed—who, with Burnside and Hooker, hovered about the cornfields of Sharpsburg—and whose comrades' blood tinged the waters of Antietam. It is something to be acquainted with those who were with Grant at the Rapidan, at the Wilderness, at Spottsylvania, and Cold Harbor, who were in the corps of Hancock, who, being asked "Where is the Sixth Corps?", replied, "They lie buried between the Rapidan and the James." It is something to know the men who were at Shiloh and at Vicksburg, at Chancellorsville and Petersburg and Appomattox, and a thousand bloody fields rich with historic recollections of those who fought and bled and died that the flag with its eternal stars might wave above a land without a serf, a servant, or a slave. [Applause.]

On Fame's eternal camping-ground  
Their silent tents are spread,  
And angels guard with glory round  
The bivouac of the dead.



It is something to know these men who did something, rather than said something, and who by their acts and their achievements laid more firmly the foundation of constitutional liberty upon this continent.

We are taught by some political philosophers that liberty is a mistake, and that from a central power above we should get those rules and guides of conduct that make for human happiness.

Let us go back some seven centuries in the history of English-speaking peoples. William the Conqueror defeated the Saxon king of England at the Battle of Hastings; overthrew the government; took possession of the land, the people, and their property, and parceled them out among his great military subordinates who became the great landlords, the nobility of England; and listed the land and the property on Domesday Book that thenceforth it should pay him tribute. The ordinary individual was rightless; bound to the land; unable to leave the service of his lord; without educational advantages; and without a voice in the affairs of government. The native Englishman thus enslaved was bound as a chattel to the land.

Contrast their condition with what we have today. What has been the cause of that change? It has been brought about by the aspirations of the human heart for human liberty.

Two hundred and fifty years passed. The barons of England, jealous of the encroachments of the king upon what they contended were their rights, arose in armed opposition and forced King John, at Runnymede, to grant the first great charter of English liberty. Thenceforth, litigants were not compelled to follow the king's suit from place to place. Courts were to be held in fixed places, justice was not to be bought nor sold, no man could thenceforth be disseized of his property but by due process of law, nor be deprived of his life or liberty but by the judgment of his peers and the law of the land. This marked a great step in the progress of English liberty.

But, notwithstanding Magna Charta, pretended offenders were incarcerated in insanitary jails without a hearing and without an opportunity to be heard, until public indignation reached such a height in England that Parliament was compelled to pass the Habeas Corpus Act whereby any person who was imprisoned, or any of his friends, might sue out a writ and bring him before the court in order that the cause of his detention might be inquired into. This to a large extent put an end to imprisonment without cause, and marked another great step in the progress of English liberty.

You will remember the Kings of England claimed to govern by divine right, to exercise certain prerogative powers without the consent of the British Parliament. You will remember that King Charles claimed the right to levy taxes "in the emergency" to support the English navy without the consent of Parliament. I don't need to remind you that John Hampden refused to pay that tax, that the King, having obtained in advance the opinion of the judges of his court as to the legality of his acts, instituted suit against Hampden, that Hampden was defeated in court, that he appealed to Parliament, and for years there was waged in the Parliament of England that memorable struggle between the prerogative of the King and the power of Parliament, and how finally the judgment of the court



was overturned, the judges impeached and driven from power, Archbishops Strafford and Laud, the spiritual advisers of the King, were executed, and finally King Charles himself was brought to the block, and that principle was firmly established in British constitutional liberty that there could be no taxation without representation in the Parliament of England. This marked another step in the progress of liberty.

In the meantime, the American Colonies had been settled, and here came the brave, the strong, the independent, the optimistic, the bigoted and the zealous, from all grades of society, and from all climes and creeds, and sects and denominations, and here, side by side in their forest homes, they faced the common enemies of privation, want and despair, and by intimate association, intermarriage and united activity in a common cause against savage enemies, they first began to form that "cake of custom" which soon distinguished the Anglo-American as a distinct nationality. And here was laid the foundation of a new government with new conceptions of the ultimate origin of sovereignty, of the functions of government, where all men were declared to be created equal, and where the rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness were declared to be inalienable. This marked another step in the progress of liberty.

The great significance of the Revolution is not in the military achievements upon the field of battle, not in the success of American arms, but in the fact that the old philosophy of government was overturned and in its place a new philosophy of government was established. Up to that time, rights emanated from the mighty and reached but a favored few. Up to that time, no man could enjoy any rights or liberties except those which were granted by the grace of the imperial power above. After that time, sovereignty was declared to reside in the people, governments derived their just powers from the consent of the governed, a public office became a public trust, and no man had any right to exercise any power or authority in this country except that which he received directly or indirectly from the people.

Well, we had our troubles notwithstanding the Declaration of Independence, notwithstanding that during the period of the Revolution we realized, as Franklin did, that we must hang together or we would hang separately. We formulated Articles of Confederation, our first National Constitution.

The Confederation was declared to be a firm league of friendship between sovereign States. Congress was made up of the diplomatic representatives of the several States which appointed and could recall them at pleasure. There was no national treasury directly supported by taxation; no right even to raise revenue by taxation. Contributions were made by the several States to the support of the Federal Government upon requisitions being made, by the Congress of the United States, upon the individual States. It was a government, in short, that originated with the States, which acted upon the States, and which was supported by the States.

As a result of this league of nations, bound together by the treaty known as the Articles of Confederation, we soon found that the



States encroached one upon the other; that they made treaties and alliances between themselves; that they discriminated against one another, and against the National Government. Vast quantities of paper money were issued, so that "Not worth a Continental" still expresses the irreducible minimum in value. It was found by the thinking men of the country that we had to do something or we would lose all that had been gained in the struggle for liberty, and so there met, at Philadelphia, those men who framed the Constitution of the United States, which, in short; substituted a government which originated with the people, acted upon the people, and was to be supported by the people, in place of a government which originated with the States, was supported by the States, and acted upon the States.

Now, those men who sat down at the long table in Philadelphia to frame the Constitution of the United States, with George Washington, who had successfully led the armies of the United States during the Revolution, at the head; and the venerable Franklin, scientist, philosopher and the father of American diplomacy, at the foot; and ranged alongside were Sherman, Johnson, King, Hamilton, Wilson, Patterson, Madison, Randolph, Monroe, the Pinckneys, Rutledge, and many others, all distinguished leaders of the early period of our history, these men had had experience under the system of parliamentary absolutism that had prevailed in England. They knew the history of the struggles of the Revolution of 1688 which overthrew the kingly prerogative. They were jealous of the encroachments of the executive, and they knew from their own experiences in the States that those States were jealous of their own rights and their own powers and their own prerogatives, and that they had continuously sought to take a larger slice from the common loaf until the Federal Union had been rendered impotent and practically worthless. These men sought to establish here a government which was capable of sustaining itself by itself, which could settle its own internal dissensions, which would be strong enough to resist external attack, and which would have the power to raise revenue by taxation to support itself, pay the public debt and defray the general expenses of the army and navy of the country. They were jealous, too, of the executive prerogative, and so they vested in the Congress of the United States the power to override the executive veto. They were jealous, too, of the Congress of the United States, and so they granted to that Congress only certain defined powers. The language of the Federal Constitution is not that "all legislative power" is vested in the Congress of the United States, but that "all legislative power herein granted" shall be vested in the Congress of the United States. It is only that power which the people of the country have seen fit to delegate to the Congress of the United States which it may constitutionally exercise. [Applause.] So, too, these men were jealous of the individual States. They feared the encroachment of the States upon the Federal Government, and so they said:

No State shall enter into any Treaty, Alliance, or Confederation; make any Thing but gold and silver Coin a Tender in Payment of Debts; pass any Bill of Attainder, ex post facto Law, or Law impairing the Obligation of Contracts.

And they placed prohibitions upon the power of Congress, and finally, over all, they did something that had never before been done



in the history of government, they created a Supreme Court of the United States, whose business it was to see that the Congress of the United States and the legislatures of the several States kept within the sphere marked out for them, by the people, in the Constitution. [Applause.] And it is only by upholding the principles enunciated by the people in the Constitution that human liberty may be perpetuated. [Applause.]

When the proposed Constitution of the United States was submitted to the several States for ratification, it was found that the people were jealous, not only of Congress and of the States, but they were jealous of the whole sphere of individual liberty; and so the Constitution was adopted only upon condition that the Congress of the United States would submit to the people of the several States that Bill of Rights contained in the first 10 amendments to the Constitution which guarantees the fundamental principles of liberty for which English-speaking people had struggled for centuries. They were embodied in the fundamental law, and this marked another step in the progress of liberty.

Up to the time of the Civil War, the Declaration of Independence—which declared that all men were created equal—did not square with the Constitution of the United States, because in this country we had 3 million slaves. As a result of the Civil War, slavery was destroyed, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States were brought into harmony, and thus we became the only nation which protects the rights of human life and human liberty of all men by constitutional guarantee. [Applause.] This marked another step in the progress of human liberty.

Well, there are a lot of people who say, "After all, what is liberty?"—"Liberty", as we understand it, means freedom from governmental interference, from the tyranny of arbitrary and dictatorial regimentation; the right to freely move from place to place; to select and follow any lawful avocation or occupation; to work, and to enjoy the fruits of our own labor; to have a voice in the affairs of that government by which we are governed; to enjoy the highest degree of personal freedom of action consistent with a due and proper regard for the rights of others; and the right to rise by our own talents and our own labor, if we merit it, above others of our fellow men. It means, in short, the absence of slavery. [Applause.]

It seems to me there is something in the principles of Magna Carta, in the Habeas Corpus Act, in the Revolution of 1688, in the Declaration of Independence, in the Constitution of the United States, and in the Emancipation Proclamation, because these things are milestones in the progress of human liberty [applause], and when they talk about human liberty being a joke, let them rub shoulders with these men who offered to make the supreme sacrifice to maintain and extend the principles of human liberty in this country!

There is no danger when the sentiments which actuated the Grand Army of the Republic are those which actuate the statesmen of our country.

Well, there are a lot of people at this time—most of them crack-pots—some of them have had college degrees and are out of



a job—who want to overturn constitutional government, to destroy the system which extends to them the opportunity for having a job. They want to substitute something in its place. They say the principles of the Constitution are archaic—are out of date. But the principles of right and wrong are the same tonight, in Grand Rapids, as they were in the days when the lowly Nazarene walked by the Sea of Galilee! [Applause.] It was the principle of human liberty which actuated Patrick Henry when he said, at the close of his oration in the House of Burgesses, in Virginia, “As for me, give me liberty or give me death.” [Applause.]

It is all right to say we want to overturn this Government—if we are going to put something in its place that is better. But what is proposed?

There are those who have a vacuum where their brain ought to be—who are in favor of anarchy, of the destruction of all government, and the return of man to what the anthropologist say was his pristine condition, when he emerged from caves and the trunks of hollow trees and with stone and club sought to wrest a living from the world by killing the animals which surrounded him. They believe in the absence of all government. These people don't know half as much as the ordinary squirrel who had sense enough to lay up something for the winter [applause]—or even the ant, lowly though it may be, who garners food to store in the bowels of the earth against the day of want. These men who talk about destroying the capitalistic system and destroying the ambition and the aspiration of man to better himself, his ideas and hopes for human liberty, his desire to lay up something for himself and his family, his desire to have something laid by for a rainy day, and who is willing not only to aspire to those things, but to shoulder his musket or his rifle and go out on the field of battle and say that the fundamental principles of human existence are still enduring and still basic—with that kind of men, you have no danger of anarchy because, after all, unless we are going to revolutionize animal instincts, the ideas of the squirrel, the ant, and of every human being who has sense enough to get under an umbrella when it rains—unless we are going to revolutionize these, then we are not going to have anarchy as a permanent condition in this country! [Applause.] It was the old Greek, Thucydides, who said “Human nature is persistent and identical.”

Then, there are some people who say, “The people don't know anything, anyway; they don't know any more than cattle.” They say what we want is to appoint a lot of college professors as directors—men who cannot run—and never did run—their own businesses successfully. These are to tell you how to run your business! [Laughter.] Well, I don't think they will get far.

And then, there are those who believe the people don't know enough to govern themselves anyway, whatever they may know about other things, and claim that what we ought to have is a Mussolini, a Stalin, or a Hitler—or some other animal of that kind—to tell us what to do. [Applause.]

After all, if we use our sane, sound sense, we will agree with the principles of the Grand Army of the Republic, with the ideals and



aspirations that actuated its members in going forth to the field of battle that this, the American Nation, under constitutional government erected to preserve human liberty, which marks the most advanced position in the science of government that has yet been evolved by human ingenuity, shall be perpetuated; that here in this country is ample opportunity to acquire property, an absence of feudal landlordism, the supreme chance for every man to give free play to his individual initiative and activity, and to hold and enjoy the fruits of his own genius and enterprise.

The idea of substituting untried panaceas, most of which were once "shot death" upon the battlefields of Europe, is but the senseless aspiration of those who have been termed by some distinguished statesman the "cracked pots." They have already been tried. They have already been found wanting. No other scheme of government has yet been evolved that is better than an indissoluble union of indestructible states—a union which many of these men's comrades gave their lives to support, and for which they offered to make the supreme sacrifice. It is a fine thing to do, and I reverently pay my humble tribute to those who have gone before. But it is rather for us, the living, to see to it that the central thought of human history, so far as English-speaking peoples are concerned, the idea of human liberty for which men have struggled on the battlefields not only of this country, but of the Old World, for centuries, shall be preserved, and this Government, which sustains and proclaims this idea, shall be transmitted to posterity with its glory untarnished and its escutcheon undimmed. [Applause.]

May we here draw inspiration and food for solid, constructive thought from those men who were willing to shoulder their muskets and leave their homes for the purpose of maintaining here a united country, who were against secession, against the breaking up of Government, against human slavery, who stood solid as the Rock of Ages for the support of constitutional government and the maintenance of human liberty for all men, regardless of race or color or previous condition of servitude.

Thank you. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Judge Potter, on behalf of the audience—I am sure I speak for all of them—I thank you for sacrificing your time coming to us to deliver this splendid inspirational address. May I say to you, my comrades of the G. A. R., that I have heard expressions from many of you since you have come here that you know you are nearing the end of your road; and it seems to me that you must feel that when there are men like Judge Potter, talking the doctrine he has talked here tonight, spreading that sort of inspiration to the younger generation of the country, you may approach the crossroads and the passing on with a great deal of confidence.

We are going to be favored at this time by a number from Bullard's orchestra: "Omnipotence" by Franz Schubert. (Music by the orchestra.)

At this time we will receive the spoken tributes from the Grand Army of the Republic and its five auxiliary and allied bodies—3-minute addresses by the chaplains. It is my pleasure to present to you first the Reverend J. King Gibson, chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.



Chaplain in Chief J. KING GIBSON. Col. Alfred E. Stacey, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, guests of honor, officers of the allied organizations, comrades, and friends:

On the night of April 6, 1866, in a hall in Decatur, Ill., Post No. 1, Grand Army of the Republic, was organized and sent on its way. May 12, 1870, a member's badge was adopted, made from cannons captured in decisive battles of the Civil War, and given by the Congress of the United States for that purpose. From these early and small beginnings our organization has been true to its principles and amply justified its existence.

One token of these facts was expressed in an estimate of no less a person than the distinguished citizen, diplomat, and patriot, Myron T. Herrick, then mayor of the city of Cleveland, in an address of appreciation when the national encampment was assembled in the noble city in which he was the chief executive. He used words that we cherish. "We are delighted," said he, "to honor a body who in the days of distress stood as a wall of fire in our Nation's defense. It is seldom given to men to perform so high and sacred a duty as was yours. These achievements are the bond of your Union today, as they were when you stood in the line of battle, and our city can do no less than to welcome you to our hearts and homes, which we do."

Our encampment in Columbus in 1886 was the high-water mark of our numbers and influence, when, as some of you will remember, our columns were 6 hours in passing a given point, and we met the cheers of 200,000 visitors that lined the streets of that capital.

Since that time there has been a beating of time when history was builded, people speaking of us as "a thin blue line." And yet it can be said of us, as of Gideon's band of old, "faint, yet pursuing." Surely it is no small tribute to have it said, as it was by the distinguished John Morley, of England, "The American Civil War was one of the few wars that were justifiable."

But tonight our minds are turned from achievements of the past and are fixed chiefly upon the memory of comrades who have answered the final roll call, as all of us must do. They sleep, heaven knows where—in the quiet cemeteries about us, on battlefields where they fell, in forest where they sought a quiet place in which to die, and, saddest of all, in prisons of the South, uncheered by so much as the sight of the flag for which they were pouring out their lives, and where tonight only the angels stand sentinel till the reveille of the resurrection. Peace be to their ashes, one and all.

But the theme of the hour calls to mind a personal incident with which I will close. Years ago I was one of a company of Christian Endeavorers journeying to Montreal. After a thrilling passage of the Thousand Islands of the St. Lawrence, and as the day was closing, we entered the Lachine Rapids. Twilight was settling about us as we reached the most dangerous part of all. Our good boat landed to take on an old Indian pilot. Conscious of his responsibility, noticing nothing either upon the right or left, but with eyes upon the current of the stream, there he sat quietly, with piercing and dauntless eyes. We heard the grinding of the keel against the dangerous rocks, but with steady hand our noble pilot

steered us through in safety and then disappeared, as we landed him, in the night, touched to the heart by a hundred voices that were lifted up in prayer, in song:

Jesus, Savior, pilot me  
Over life's tempestuous sea.  
Unknown waves around me roll,  
Hiding rocks and treach'rous shoal,  
Chart and compass come from Thee.  
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore,  
And the fearful breakers roar  
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest,  
Then, while leaning on Thy breast,  
May I hear Thee say to me,  
"Fear not, I will pilot thee."

[Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Mrs. Lizetta Coady, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, will speak on behalf of her organization.

Mrs. COADY. In memory of the Grand Army of the Republic to-night we are honoring the men who fought and suffered and died for our great Republic. Why feel sad? They have earned their rest.

The silver circle of their service sweet  
Is their memorial, shining and complete.  
For them no slow decline and long delay;  
God knew the signal hour, the better way,  
And called them home while it was day.

Once more the great clock of Time has ticked into eternity another year, and we pause in reverent memory to the devoted comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic who have crossed the bridge of time. Many members have passed to the sound of the bugle for their last encampment, their labors ended here, their eternal duties just begun. Some day we shall meet again those who answered the call. They have not died, they are promoted into realms of glory. 'Neath the smile of the Master, they still love us, and we, their auxiliary, will take up their work with a determination to carry on.

O tell me not that they are dead, that generous host, that army of invisible heroes! They hover as a cloud of witnesses above this nation. Are they that yet speak louder than I can speak, and a more universal language, dead? Are they dead that yet act? Are they dead that yet move upon society and inspire the people with nobler motives and more heroic patriotism? Every river shall keep some solemn title; every valley and lake shall cherish its honored register. Till the mountains are worn out and the rivers forget to flow, till the clouds are weary of replenishing the springs, and the springs forget to gush and the rills to sing, shall their names be kept with reverent honors which are inscribed upon the book of national remembrance. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Mrs. Frances E. Linnell, national chaplain, Ladies of the G. A. R.

Mrs. LINNELL. How fit it is that we should pause 'mid our deliberations and pay tribute to those whom we have loved and lost, to those who have left us, to those who gave and offered their lives



that we might have the beautiful peace in this glorious country of ours. Let us ever remember their brave deeds and glorify their name. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Mrs. Bertha M. Droz, national chaplain, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Mrs. Droz. And I heard a voice saying, "Write, Blessed are they who die in the Lord." "Yea," saith the spirit, "for they shall rest in their labors." Our mission here has been explained, and it is my privilege to pay tribute to the Grand Army of the Republic as a representative of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, their descendants.

Evening had come and our daddies closed their weary eyes to rest awhile. Earth's trials were over. Heartaches passed into oblivion. A new day breaks and all is well. They heard a sweet voice saying, "Enter into rest, for well done is thy work." And methinks as they pass through those heavenly gates they are greeted by the hand of their Savior, their soldier buddies and the loved ones that they had lost but for a while.

Many hearts have been broken by their going, many hours have been darkened, but may the promises of Him who never fails, that some day their hand shall clasp our hand, just over in the Morning Land, be to us a benediction and we, too, can say in the words of the poet:

Good night; sleep well, beloved, when the last  
Slow dusk has fallen, and your steps no more  
Make music on the empty upper floor,  
And day is fully past;  
We, who so lightly let you go alone  
Evening by evening from our trustful sight  
Into the mystery of Sleep's unknown,  
We need not fear tonight,  
Death is so gentle, dark will break to dawn,  
Love will be safe until the morning's light  
Sleep well, Good night.

Chairman EMERY. Rev. Arthur M. Soule, chaplain in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Mr. SOULE. It is my privilege as a representative of your Sons to voice not only their sentiments, but I am sure that I can speak for the grandsons and those that are entering upon the stage of action representing the third generation. In the presence of the distinguished speaker of the evening, that matchless tribute that he has paid to the loyalty and devotion of the men of our country who have defended it in days when it needed defenders, that tribute which recognized the principle of liberty for which men have suffered, bled, and died, a splendid tribute to our fathers who left their homes and all that is near and dear that they might prove their loyalty to this country that has meant so much to them, and as they came back from the front and took up the activities of life and showed to us that they were not only loyal citizens in time of war, but that they could live loyal, patriotic lives in times of peace; so as your sons, grandsons, and great grandsons we are not seeking honor ourselves but we are trying to learn lessons from your lives—those lessons of patriotism, those lessons of devotion to duty, whether it be on the battlefield or in the busy marts of life. It takes courage to face an enemy; it takes courage to face life.

So may your sons, as some of them already have done—shouldered the musket in the wars that have come since the Civil War—may we in the days that are to come, if need be, in defense of our country, do our bit as you did in days of war, as in days of peace. I am not the least disturbed as to the future of our country, for in the veins of the rising generation there is that same spirit of loyalty and devotion to country and flag that these veterans of the Civil War have given to us, and when called upon, the rising generation will show that they have learned the lessons of patriotism and of duty that you have given to this old world.

May God help you as you tonight remember those of your comrades who have laid down their arms in the battle of life that they may go onward and upward forever in the life that is eternal. This my humble tribute I pay to our fathers of the Grand Army of the Republic who have always been loyal to that which is highest, finest, and best. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Mrs. Mildred N. Peters, national chaplain of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Mrs. PETERS. Colonel Emery, Commander in Chief Stacey, Chief Justice Potter of my own State, and friends: What does that flag represent to you? Is it only a tricolored banner? No, that flag represents all you hope to be and have the courage to try for. The flag represents the days' work of the weakest man and the dream of our heroes. As that flag is before us as a bright gleam of color it pictures the suggestions of the big things which make this Nation. Those stars and stripes are bright with cheer, brilliant with courage, and firm with faith. That flag represents liberty. And why? Because our fathers fought to make it so. And, friends, it is up to us to keep green the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and the principles for which they fought.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic,

This may we do, our loyalty to prove:  
Live as you lived; honor the land we love;  
Stand fast; be true; our duty ne'er forget.

[Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Chaplain Doerr of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry will pronounce the benediction, immediately after which taps will be sounded and we will be dismissed. Will you please rise?

Chaplain DOERR. Almighty God, our Father, we once again thank Thee for the fellowship and inspiration of this hour. We pray for the happiness of those of our benefactors who are growing old; and to us remaining, our Heavenly Father, may this occasion be an occasion of memory which will increase our usefulness and our service which we render in their name, until we, too, shall draw the draperies of our couch about us and lie down to pleasant dreams. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. (Taps.) (9:50 p. m.)



RECEPTION AND SEMIOFFICIAL MEETING OF THE  
SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, HELD IN THE CIVIC  
AUDITORIUM, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., MONDAY EVEN-  
ING, SEPTEMBER 9, 1935, 8:45 P. M.

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Col. JOHN G. EMERY, general chairman, presiding.

Chairman EMERY. It is a very great pleasure to me as general chairman of the local committee on arrangements for this convention—I should properly say these conventions—to welcome you all here tonight. The meeting will be opened by the invocation pronounced by the Right Reverend John N. McCormick, bishop of the western diocese of Michigan of the Episcopal Church, followed immediately by the playing of the Star-Spangled Banner by the band. Will you kindly rise while the bishop pronounces the invocation?

Bishop McCORMICK. I would say to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and their friends that we are praying. I am sure, tonight for the peace of the world, for our own country, for the President of the United States, for the Army and Navy of the United States. I wish specially to use a prayer which was composed many years ago at the end of the Civil War. It is a prayer of thanksgiving for the restoration of peace in our own country, and because of the historic interest of this prayer I shall take the liberty of using the prayer which was composed as soon as peace was declared between the armies of the North and the armies of the South, and then I will ask you to join with me in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

O Lord God, Heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; We beseech Thee to continue Thy wonderful goodness to this Thy restored people, that our light may never be removed nor Thy mighty acts be forgotten; but confirm, O Lord, Thy works to all generations.

May we be taught by Thy past corrections to fear Thy justice, and may we be moved by Thy long suffering to love Thy goodness and obey Thy laws. Give us true repentance for our sins, that with our bodies and our souls unfeignedly turning unto Thee in newness of life, we may enjoy the continuance and increase of Thy grace and goodness. Let no root of bitterness spring up to trouble us, nor any pride or prejudice hinder our godly concord and unity. Fill our hearts with loving kindness for the destitute and ignorant, and for all who need our sympathy and care. Make us faithful stewards of every trust committed to us in the gifts of Thy providence.

Be with our rulers to guide their counsels, and to strengthen their lawful authority; and sanctify the Nation in the solemn privileges of freedom, self-government, and power.

May our land be the sanctuary of civil liberty and religious truth, an example to the ends of the earth of the righteousness which exalteth a Nation. Hear, Lord, and save us, O King of Heaven, when we call upon Thee; so shall we and all Thy church and people dwell under the shadow of Thy wings, protected by Thy power, preserved by Thy providence and ordered by Thy governance, to Thy everlasting praise and our unspeakable comfort in Jesus Christ our Savior, to whom, with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, be glory and praise and dominion, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Star-Spangled Banner—Saladin Temple (A. A. O. N. M. S.) Band.

Chairman EMERY. It seems to me that it is a very happy moment when the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is called together in this its first meeting after the memorial meeting of last night that the invocation should be pronounced by a son of old Virginia, which Bishop McCormick happens to be.

The State of Michigan welcomes you here tonight and is your host. Grand Rapids, which we believe is the finest convention city in Michigan, was granted the privilege of being your direct hosts during this encampment. To say that we of Grand Rapids are happy to greet you here for the third time in 10 years would be putting it very mildly.

We are greatly honored tonight in having the governor of this great Commonwealth here to express to you in person his word of greeting, and it is a pleasure and honor to me at this time to present to you, my comrades and friends, the Honorable Frank D. Fitzgerald, Governor of the State of Michigan. [Applause.]

Governor FITZGERALD. Colonel Emery, Commander Stacey, distinguished guests, and ladies and gentlemen:

Due to the many perplexing problems which confront me daily I find it necessary to decline daily invitations running into the dozens from the various communities of Michigan to attend this or that particular occasion. It is impossible for a Governor of a State to accept these invitations and to join with the people of the various communities of a State and at the same time do the work of his office. But there are occasions where it is the duty of the Governor to be present. This is one of them.

And it is not only my duty to be here to welcome these distinguished men and women to Grand Rapids and to Michigan from various parts of the United States, but it is also a privilege and an even greater honor to extend a few words of greeting to the representatives of that great Grand Army which in the crucial struggle of '61 and '65 preserved the Republic established by our forefathers, and which today is not alone the birthright, but the sacred trust as well, of all who claim American citizenship. [Applause.]

It was you members of that Grand Army who are here this evening, and the 2 millions or more of your comrades who have answered the final reveille, who determined, in the deathless words of your great commander in chief, that the "government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

May the God who watches over the affairs of men and nations forbid that we shall ever fail to pay tribute to your courage and heroism and to the cause for which you fought. If that day should ever come, the Americanism which is our proud boast and our best defense will have ceased to exist. You men not only as soldiers, but also as citizens, have typified the spirit which has made America great.



It is the supreme duty of this and succeeding generations to carry forward the precious heritage of the past. The battle for freedom and purity in government is unending. The Grand Army of the Republic must be followed by the constantly recruited ranks of the grand army of American citizenship.

The Constitution which you fought to preserve must be made secure against the growing attacks, both open and from ambush, which are being directed upon it. Numbers of those who have fled from oppression to live under its protection would supplant it with the unbridled tyranny of communism.

We are privileged to know that in contrast to some of the isms of today, the Constitution is grounded upon unchanging principles of justice. It has guarded our liberties for more than a hundred and fifty years throughout all of the crises which have beset our Nation. It has been the shield which has protected the liberties of the people alike from ill-considered mass action and the unwarranted encroachment of legislatures, executives, and courts.

The government established by the Constitution was for many years distinguished by its simplicity. It left the direction of their private affairs largely in the hands of the people themselves. I question the wisdom of a departure from that principle. Government today is a thing of growing and bewildering complexity and expense. The total revenues of the State government in the peak year of the Civil War was not above 6 millions of dollars. Last year they reached the total of more than 150 million dollars.

My idea is that the cost of government should always be brought within the supporting ability of the people. I believe that a loss in national income should not be followed by more taxes, thinly disguised under various expedients, but by less taxes and greater economy in public expenditures. [Applause.]

And for the benefit of you citizens of the United States who have gathered here from other States I am happy to report, without being boastful, that Michigan is one of the very few States in the United States who in the year 1935, to date, has not burdened its people with additional taxes. It has reduced taxes to the farmers and the manufacturers and to the property owners of our State, and at the same time we are paying our way as we go. Every month our bills are taken care of. [Applause.]

No better means of carrying forward the ideals of good government can be found, in my opinion, than those which exist within the Grand Army of the Republic, the Woman's Relief Corps, and the Sons of Veterans, for the good women of our country, in both war and peace, have borne their full share of our civic responsibilities, the ladies of the G. A. R. and the Daughters of Veterans. The enthusiasm which springs from proud and kindred relationships has attached to all of these splendid organizations in the past, and will beyond any question of doubt continue to control them in the future.

I cannot forego a brief word regarding the brilliant record made by Michigan in the Civil War. She contributed 93,000 men to the forces of the Union, and more than 14,000 of them laid down their lives in that great cause. That was indeed a sacrifice entailing an obligation which can never be overpaid. Who that knows anything of the history of Michigan does not recall with pride the



names of Custer, Williams, and Shafter? And who, having knowledge of the splendid city in which we are met, is not inspired by the names of Innes, Pierce, and Belknap?

Comrades of the Grand Army and members of affiliated organizations, as Governor of the Commonwealth, I bring you the greetings of her people and on their behalf express to you the hope that every favoring circumstance may attend your future. Thank you. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Governor Fitzgerald, on behalf of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and of their friends, I want to thank you for the sacrifice you have made in coming over here tonight and the reception which you made possible. I want to say this for the Governor, that in spite of all this economy about which he talks, this is not entirely a Scotch State. When we came to ask him and his administrative board for some funds with which to entertain this encampment he was not at all Scotch. [Applause.]

Grand Rapids, you know, is a city the population of which is very largely Holland Dutch. Now speaking of Scotchmen—I don't want the mayor to be angry when I say this—we say in Grand Rapids, "What is tighter than a tight Scotchman?" and the answer is "A liberal Hollander." We are very, very proud to have now as mayor of Grand Rapids a fine Christian gentleman. In my opinion he is all that is implied when one uses the expression "a Christian gentleman." He has come here tonight to give you the welcome of this city of 168,000 which is being your host this week; and it is a great pleasure to me to present him to you at this time, the Honorable William Timmers, our mayor.

Mayor TIMMERS. Colonel Emery, Governor Fitzgerald, Commander Stacey, honored guests, ladies, and gentlemen, there is only one thing the matter with the Governor of this State. He lives in Lansing. Really he ought to live in Grand Rapids, where all good things come from. I would like to claim that all of the good things that have been written of this State were written of Grand Rapids, but I am afraid to make that claim here in the presence of the Governor; and that goes for a nonpartisan Republican, if you please. Do you know the mayor of this city is supposed to be nonpartisan?

I do not need, I am sure, to tell the folks that are here how happy we are in Grand Rapids to have you again permit us to be your hosts. It is a great privilege and an honor to us. We had a remarkable inspiration each previous time that you met with us. It meant so much to this city to have a new note, a higher note of patriotism struck, a patriotism that was not content merely with words but that showed itself in deeds many years ago, and that has been constant ever since.

A little while ago in some of the remarks of your old Commander in Chief, the beloved Abraham Lincoln, I ran across a very significant statement, and I thought one that comes to me with some force today. It reads like this: "It has long been a grave question whether any government not too strong for the liberties of its people can be strong enough to maintain its existence in great emergencies." You men of '61 to '65 have demonstrated the possibility of a government not too strong for the liberties of its people to maintain itself in a great emergency, and you did not scrap the Constitution to do it. [Applause.]



I welcome you with a peculiar feeling tonight because I know that the boys and girls who are going to school and starting to school today are going to receive a new inspiration and patriotism, a patriotism that, thank God, does not need to be made manifest with powder and shot and shell, but does need to be made manifest in an intelligent, awakened, alive citizenry to the rights and duties and privileges under the Constitution of this country; and I welcome you because of that. [Applause.]

To me it is a great inspiration to see so many of the ladies here. I had a delightful time this afternoon. Mrs. Timmers is somewhere around here, so I am going to tell you about it. I marched alone with that young lady about 28 years ago. And this afternoon I was privileged to address a group of ladies in Park Church, and a bevy of about a dozen fair ladies came to meet us. I do not blame you men that are here for having enlisted in '61 to '65, if that is what you enlisted for. I think it is well worth while. I am delighted to see you here this evening. We did not put any decorations up in this auditorium. Thank goodness, you ladies are doing the decorating for us.

I hope you will all have a good time and that you will have good conventions. If there is anything the city of Grand Rapids has overlooked—and I hope we have not—we truly want to know about it and we will do everything we can to make up, because we want you to come here again in the future. Thank you very much for coming. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. One of the outstanding organizations which is going to carry on in the generations of the future the ideals for which you men of the Grand Army of the Republic fought and for which your comrades fell, is the great American Legion. We are particularly fortunate tonight in having with us a national officer of that great body. No convention of the American Legion is ever called into session without an invitation being extended to the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, nor is an encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic ever held without extending to the national commander of the American Legion an invitation to be present. It was a physical impossibility for the national commander of the American Legion to be with us at this session. Their great convention comes in only 2 weeks. But we have a representative, a national officer of the American Legion, who is going to speak to you briefly at this time. It is a very great pleasure for me to be permitted to present to you National Vice Commander Milo J. Warner, of Toledo, Ohio, who has come here to present the greetings of the national organization of the American Legion. [Applause.]

Mr. WARNER. Colonel Emery, Commander in Chief Stacey, His Excellency Governor Fitzgerald, Mayor Timmers, and other distinguished guests; comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and members of the affiliated organizations, one of the proudest moments of my life, particularly as a small boy, was when my father on several occasions on Memorial Day would take me by the hand and permit me to march with him in the Memorial Day parade. My father was a Civil War veteran, a member of the Fourteenth O. V. I. [Applause.] So you can well understand that I am very



proud indeed to be privileged to address you on behalf of the American Legion this evening.

When I came to this fine city of Grand Rapids this evening and was met by Colonel Emery, past national commander of the American Legion, and several other fine Legionnaires of this city, including Legionnaire Van Camp, we immediately repaired to that monument here to the Civil War veterans, and it was my honor and privilege on behalf of the national organization of the American Legion to place before that monument a wreath.

We pay our respects to the Grand Army of the Republic. The American Legion salutes you. Had it not been for the Grand Army of the Republic there would have been no American Legion. [Applause.]

Just a touch of humor, if I may—I think it is humor. As an old soldier—I call myself an old soldier too—I was out about a week ago to the Illinois convention of the American Legion at Quincy, Ill. One of your comrades of the Civil War was presented to the convention, and as he was presented Colonel Scott, head of Edward Hines, Jr., Hospital—Facility, they call it now—at Chicago, leaned over my shoulder and said, “He was a patient at our hospital not long ago and he wanted leave to go to the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. And we gave him leave. In about 10 days he came back one morning, looking quite tired, rather disheveled, and I said, ‘You better go to bed.’ He said, ‘Yes; I am pretty tired. I want to go to bed.’ He said, ‘You know, in the train last night the boys kept me up till 4 or 5 o’clock this morning playing cards and telling stories.’” And the Colonel said, “‘I didn’t know that the Legion had a convention.’ ‘Oh, no, not the Legion,’ he says, ‘the boys, the G. A. R. boys.’” [Applause.] Always youthful in spirit, carries always the spirit of youth with him.

Before I sit down I must tell you of this, a little different incident. It was about 15 years ago down in a town in Ohio, the birthplace of a President of the United States. It was homecoming week, and the President was there, and the First Lady of the land. The Commander in Chief of the Army during the World War, General Pershing, was there. They had a big parade. It was on a hot day in August. I was near the reviewing stand, and I saw the parade as it approached the reviewing stand, and in the fore part of the parade there was a single file of tall men, about twenty of them, attempting to depict the sturdy pioneers, and they wore buckskin jackets and carried in one hand a long rifle such as the frontiersmen carried. The line of march had been about 3 or 4 miles long. It was a hot day, and along that line of march some enterprising merchant had distributed pasteboard fans advertising his store. And as these so-called pioneer frontiersmen approached the reviewing stand they each carried one of those pasteboard fans. Some of them sensed the incongruity of it and endeavored to put them under their arms or under their jackets some place. But most of them marched by the President of the United States and General Pershing and the other dignitaries carrying that long rifle in one hand and a pasteboard fan in the other. [Laughter.]

Back a ways, though—a half hour had passed—along came another group of men. There were about thirty of them, or more. They



were marching in column of fours. They had blue jackets and they had cartridge belts around their waists with a cartridge box in them, they had a musket over their shoulder and they marched erect, heads up, all in step, and they did not carry any pasteboard fans—the old guard of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.] I never shall forget it, and I think it typifies the stalwart spirit of those who fought in the Civil War, those who preserved for us this wonderful country of ours.

President Robert Millikan said just recently, "The world is mad in the desire to do away with things of the past." I think we are all agreed that that is a dangerous attitude that confronts all of us at the present time, turning to anything new, no matter how dangerous it may be. We of the American Legion say to you that we shall do everything within our power to preserve those things for which you fought, those things that you built that we might exist, recognizing that we must have change, but also fully realizing that we must retain the many fine things for which you have fought and which you have preserved for us. [Applause.]

On behalf of the American Legion I wish for you a very happy, pleasant, successful encampment. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. It is said that an army travels upon its stomach; and there is nothing a soldier can do for himself better than find food wherever it can be found. One of the things I like about the Grand Army of the Republic is the manner in which its present comrades can always find food when necessary. In fact our meeting was delayed a little bit because our national commander in chief was away being wined and dined. The reason I am saying that is this, that the Governor has not had his dinner, and he has asked me if we will excuse him.

We are going to have a number now by Saladin Temple Band. I want to say that this fine group of musicians has come here gratuitously tonight and given of their time that this encampment and this meeting shall be a success, and I want now publicly to thank the potentate and the members of the band—the director, L. C. Bullard, and all the bandsmen for this splendid spirit of sacrifice in coming here tonight and producing this splendid music. While they are playing we will ask the Governor to slip out as quietly as possible. I want to say also that Governor Fitzgerald is a member of Saladin Temple, whose band is with us tonight.

Music—Saladin Temple Band.

Chairman EMERY. Thank you very much, Mr. Bullard. Now we have had the Governor to bring the greetings of the State of Michigan and the mayor to bring the greetings of the city of Grand Rapids, and a national officer of the American Legion to bring the greetings of that great organization, and now we are going to see what the Grand Army of the Republic is going to do about it. [Applause.] I want to say to you, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have known your commander only since Friday, but I am very, very fond of him. He is one of the youngest old men that I know. You know one of the gentlest arts in the world is that of growing old gracefully. And if, as, and when I pray I am sure one of the things that shall be mentioned is that kind Providence will permit me to grow old as gracefully as many—in fact most of you members



of the Grand Army of the Republic are doing. Commander in Chief Stacey don't want to make any speech. He just don't want to, but he has got to do it. He has always been a good soldier, and I am going to let him do it at this time. I am quite sure it will be brief, but I know it will be sincere. Commander Stacey. [Applause, the audience rising.]

Commander in Chief ALFRED E. STACEY. I feel like the sergeant felt at the Battle of Cedar Creek. They were on the run in the afternoon, and as this sergeant started to go to the rear the officer yelled at him and said, "Stop, damn you. If you don't, I will shoot." The sergeant never stopped, but he simply said, "Shoot and be damned. What is one bullet compared with a thousand?"

They asked me to come over here to a reception, and they had their program all loaded with governors, bishops, and other high dignitaries, and then they said, "You are to answer them." Now what chance is there for a stranger who has come into town?

Of course I feel a little bit at home in Michigan, because I know that the bottom or rock foundation of Michigan is New York, and the land and the lake and everything in Michigan looks like home to me. As I came through on the train I could not help but think, why, if somebody didn't tell me where the dividing line was I could not tell whether I was in New York or in Michigan. And the people are about the same. Everything seems to be running along on the same grade of thought and action, and so as I say it seems a lot like home.

I have been treated like a king here as I have wandered around in the hotel—not much outside, I can tell you that, because when I got started somebody had hold of my coat tail. I am thankful that I am here. I have enjoyed it.

And now I will speak just a few words about Father Abraham's army. You remember we were called Father Abraham's boys. Well, the reason of that was because of the 2,765,000 Civil War veterans, 2,300,000 and better were boys of 20 years of age and under. So that we had a right to be called Father Abraham's boys, because we were nothing else but boys. It seems like as if things were coming our way at that time. I remember being on duty as guard when Lincoln made his last trip inspecting the line, and he passed within 3 feet of me. So I had a good chance to see what Abraham Lincoln looked like. And as I remember him, instead of being such a homely man as they talked about, he was a very dignified looking man. He had very irregular features, but a very strong face, and of course there is no question but what he had the brains to back it up. There is no man in history that has equaled Abraham Lincoln in what he did during the war. [Applause.] He seemed to be everywhere present and ready to do the right thing, and it was the common-sense things, too. So as I say, we were nothing but boys and we felt like Abraham Lincoln was our father.

Now there are just a few words more, and that is that I want to thank these men and these citizens of Michigan for what you are doing and have done for the Grand Army of the Republic. There are but a few of us left, but we expect to stay here just as long as possible. We don't know much about that other world yet. But we do know that this is a very pleasant world to live in,



and so we are hanging on. The average age of the veterans today is over 92 years old. I shall be 90 in January, so I am not much of a kid any longer.

I cannot say that I have very much religion, but I do hope that the World War did a world of good in that line. Before that we were pretty well split up. A lot of us didn't know whether our buddies, if Catholic or Episcopalian, or even Presbyterian, could get into Heaven. That day has passed. I remember a story told by Father Joyce, who was over across. There was a shell burst and it killed off some seven or eight of the men where it burst, and they were buried by a Methodist minister. But there was a Catholic amongst them, and the mother wrote over to Father Joyce and she said, "Father Joyce, will you see to the proper burial of Pat? As I understand, he was killed over there and I want him buried right." And he wrote back that Pat was all right; he was buried. She wrote again. The letter wasn't satisfactory to her, so the Father said. So he went to the Methodist parson and he said, "Parson, where did you bury those men?" And he replied, "Why, right over there under that tree, on that knoll. Why, they are all right." "Yes, I know, but where was Pat?" Well, Pat was such a number there. So Father Joyce goes over there and he says, "Pat, as you were before the Methodist parson got hold of you." And so he was able to write back to the mother that he had buried Pat as the mother wished it. Now think of any minister telling that on himself before the World War. It never would have occurred. So I say that the World War did some good anyway. It got rid of the idea that Heaven was occupied by just one class of people instead of the whole world as they were.

Now I have a little advice to give to all. You are in this world, the good Lord made it a beautiful world, good enough for anybody to live in. And you want to remember that there has no one come back from that other world to tell us just how it is there. And so while you are here you had better have all the pleasure and all the happiness and all the comfort that it is possible to have. And my theory of religion is done up in the one line of Browning's, "Trust God, see all, and be not afraid." I thank you. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. I do not know of any discrimination between Catholics and Methodists and Episcopalians and the other denominations in Heaven. All I hope is there will be a lot of nice soft seats up there for every member of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

This is not a campfire, but the commander in chief started this story telling business and got onto the phase of religion, and I am going to tell one which many of you may have heard. It was told to me by a Rabbi of the Jewish faith. An Episcopalian chaplain came along and was caring for the wounded, came to one who obviously was dying. He was a Jewish boy, but the chaplain didn't notice that. He said, "Son, you believe in the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost?" and the boy looked up with a pathetic look on his face and said, "My goodness, I am dying and you ask me riddles!" I have got a lot of other good stories, as some of the members of this band can verify. But I will have to save them for you and give them to you individually as I meet you around the



lobby. I may tell you a couple of them at the campfire on Wednesday night.

Now the Grand Army of the Republic has its auxiliary bodies with it. Of course I am a man and I am forced to admit I like the ladies individually very very much. But when it comes to soldiers I am forced to admit that I am more partial to the man part of the organization. However, splendid women have come to Grand Rapids representing these very useful auxiliary units of the Grand Army of the Republic. The heads of those organizations are going to give us their very brief greetings at this time. It is a pleasure to me to present to you now the president, the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Lizetta Coady.

Mrs. COADY. Colonel Emery, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, national heads of the various organizations, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and my coworkers:

I come before you tonight to extend to you the loving greetings of the National Woman's Relief Corps, the auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. For many years I sat in an audience such as this and watched the various national presidents extend their greetings and present a gift from the auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. We have always done this from the first inception of the organization. We will continue to do this so long as a Grand Army man is left. [Applause.]

All the inconveniences that I have gone through during the year, the sorrow I have experienced, and the many discomforts I have gone through when I went through the country where there were sand storms and later coming back through the West went through the flooded country, are all forgotten in this happy moment that has come to me at the present time.

Commander in chief, will you step forward, please? I am not going to take anything from you. I am going to give you something. I have heard many times the remark made that money talks, and so I am going to let what is in this envelope do the rest of the talking. This is a check for \$1,000 from your auxiliary, the National Woman's Relief Corps. [Applause.]

In Michigan we have many junior clubs. I told the ladies today at the meeting that we had that I used to wonder what they could ever do with the name that I hold, Lizetta Coady. I have many times been in different groups where the head of the organization would be sung to, they would put the name in a little verse, but I could not see where they ever could make a rhyme out of my name. But I said I would not change my name today for any other name in this whole wide world, because my name is on a drum, and no other woman can have her name put on a drum. We have in Detroit the Lizetta Coady Drum and Bugle Corps. We have in Michigan a Lizetta Junior Club, and we have in Detroit another club that is named the Coady-Simpson, after the national president and the department president of Michigan. Now can you beat that? So these clubs wanted to do something for our commander in chief. You have here a personal check for your own use from the junior clubs of the Department of Michigan. [Applause.]

If you will bear with me a few moments longer—I know that Colonel Emery said “briefly”—but I have got to present this report. [Reading:]



## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT THE NATIONAL WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

To ALFRED E. STACEY,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER: It is a privilege and an honor to present to you and through you to this Sixty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic a brief summary of the work accomplished by the National Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, from March 31, 1934, to June 30, 1935.

These figures are taken from the records of the organization, which are on file in the offices of the Secretary and Treasurer:

Number of departments_____	36
Number of provisional departments_____	3
Number of corps in the order, June 30, 1935_____	1, 948
Number of persons assisted_____	77, 522
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Amount in cash expended for relief_____	\$16, 485. 17
Estimated relief other than money_____	\$307, 154. 35
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Total expended for relief_____	\$323, 639. 52
Number of soldiers' graves reported decorated May 30, 1935_____	271, 699
Total amount expended for patriotic work_____	\$17, 520. 20
Number of school rooms in which flags were placed_____	1, 487
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Number of Sunday schools and churches in which flags were placed_____	3, 044
Number of flags given to schoolhouses, public buildings, and lodges_____	1, 312
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Total number of flags given_____	5, 843
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In addition to the above we have contributed the following amounts:

For Spanish War veterans_____	\$373. 09
For World War veterans and nurses_____	1, 299. 61
For soldiers' homes_____	1, 588. 80
For soldiers' widows' homes_____	1, 199. 16
For orphans' homes_____	238. 76
For child welfare_____	2, 038. 47
For americanization work_____	1, 684. 25
For scholarships_____	754. 71
For schools in the South_____	1, 005. 77
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The National Treasurer's Report shows:

Cash balance on hand in general fund, June 30, 1935_____	11, 057. 43
In all other funds_____	13, 150. 64
In supplies on hand_____	10, 459. 97
Due from departments_____	370. 02
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Total assets_____	35, 038. 06

The membership seems to have been unusually active along all lines of our activities; especially is this true of the junior club activity, having made a gain of 43 new clubs this past year. This makes a grand total of 173 clubs in the order. We are extremely proud of our juniors, for in them we see the future of our beloved order.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

LIZETTA COADY,  
*President, the National Woman's Relief Corps,*  
*Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.*

SEPTEMBER 1935.

Commander in Chief STACEY. I think she has been faithful from the start. These envelopes contain what we might call money. It is not the money that affects me, but it is the thought that was behind the money, the thought that said "We will give this as a

free-will offering", and it is the heartfelt wish of myself that they shall have all that God can give them. Thank you.

Chairman EMERY. One thousand dollars! Ain't that grand? My dear madam president, you can come here and talk forever as long as you give us checks for a thousand dollars. Now we are going to hear from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic through their national president, Mrs. Pearl C. Cooke.

Mrs. COOKE. Colonel Emery, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, national heads of the allied organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic, comrades of the Grand Army, the mayor, the commander in chief of the American Legion, and friends:

I stand here tonight to extend the greetings of the National Organization of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to say "Thank you" to the city of Grand Rapids for the wonderful entertainment that they have given us while we have been here and will continue to do through the entire stay here with you. We who are the families of the Grand Army of the Republic wish to have them know that we hope to always carry on our work in our organization so that they never will be sorry or ashamed that we bear the name of the Grand Army of the Republic.

While visiting in the Eastern States I had the happy privilege of being with the commander in chief and his dear wife a great deal, but owing to serious illness she is not able to be here. But I am presenting to the commander in chief from my organization something that she had thought he would like to have. I am sure it is something that he will use all the rest of his life, and I know that she will enjoy it with him. And so, Commander in Chief Stacey, I will just tell this audience that this gift is for you personally from the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and it is something that Mrs. Stacey thought you would like, and I am happy to present it to you. I hope you will use it and remember our organization always, and please accept this small token, my personal gift to you. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. It is certainly a surprise to me to come over here from filling myself up with chicken and one thing and another and then instead of having a reception fill my arms with gifts. It is not the gifts that I care so much about as it is the heart that is behind the gift. That is what I am extremely fond of. I am very glad to think that I have so many good comrades and fraternal spirits throughout the United States, as I have received so many letters during the last 6 or 8 months since I was sick saying, "Take care of yourself. Never mind the work. We will get along some way." That is the proper spirit to show toward anybody that you like. And I am very pleased to receive this. and I will tell you right now that I think I can tell about what there is in this big box. If I am not very much mistaken it is what every old soldier loves; it is the old flag that we followed so many months in the South. Thank you.

Chairman EMERY. A few months ago the Lord Mayor of Dublin came to the United States. I was pleased with the manner in which he spoke about the depression. Instead of using that ugly word "depression" he said, "This temporary cessation of prosperity." We



have had a temporary cessation of prosperity in the United States during the last 6 or 7 years, as some of you may have noticed. It has been noised around that Santa Claus was dead. But I don't believe a word of it. I think he is very much alive.

We are now going to hear from Mrs. Matilda D. Roberts, who is the national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Mrs. ROBERTS. Colonel Emery, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, His Honor the Mayor of Grand Rapids, national presidents of the allied orders, sisters, comrades, and friends:

Any occasion upon which we pay honor and respect and esteem to the Grand Army of the Republic, our own fathers, is always an occasion of interest and pleasure to their daughters. Fifty years ago this year on Memorial Day in Massillon, Ohio, a group of five schoolgirls who had accompanied their fathers to decorate graves at the cemetery of their fallen and deceased comrades conceived the idea to band themselves together into an organization whose purpose was to aid and assist the Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander in Chief Stacey, as you and your comrades well know, since that Memorial Day 50 years ago your Daughters have walked side by side with you, and with admiration and pride we have worked with you, and we will work with you, and we are not going to stop working for those things for which you stood, for those things for which you sacrificed 70 years ago that we might cherish and enjoy today.

Every year since then, as I say, we have worked with you. During the last 35 years we have been one of your allies. Today we are coming here to celebrate our golden jubilee. We are proud of our parentage, and this being our anniversary year—we have always come to you on this occasion with our greetings, our love, our esteem, and a gift—this year we come to you with the same, only the gift is a little larger because your Daughters, instead of giving themselves a birthday present, dedicated this year to the Grand Army of the Republic as a birthday of remembrance. [Applause.]

Your Daughters are so proud of you because not only of that wonderful page which you wrote into history that will live forever, but because of the wonderful citizens you were in times of peace.

And today we are very happy to present to you, commander in chief, the contents of this loving cup, a check for \$1,500. [Applause.] The loving cup is a present to our commander in chief. It is just as bright and shiny as your Daughters' smiles are for the Grand Army of the Republic, and when the Grand Army of the Republic is no more your Daughters will not stop there. They are going on and keep your memory always and ever green in the hearts of the American people. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. Some of you might think that there was something in that cup. There is—a check. If I get a little bit flush now I think I have got reason for it. I think most any of you would get the same way if you had \$1,500 thrown at you when you did not expect a thing.

Mrs. ROBERTS. We always bring the Grand Army a check on this occasion every year. This year it is just a little bigger because it was a birthday remembrance.

Commander in Chief STACEY. Of course it would be very impolite for me to draw any lines. But I want to assure you that these gifts from the organizations that belong to the Grand Army have kept many hundreds of posts alive in the United States, because the old veterans for years did not receive much of a pension, you remember, and it was necessary that there should be a fund raised in some way, and it came in very handy to have our daughters do those things up brown, as the saying is. I am sure that if the giver feels as the receiver that they will always thank God that they have bestowed these gifts upon their fathers. Thank you.

Mrs. ROBERTS. Before I take my seat I want to extend greetings to the citizens of this wonderful city. We are enjoying your hospitality to the utmost, and we cherish everything you are doing for us. But we do hope that we, too, may leave some little thing behind that will help in some way the coming generation to inculcate in them some message or something we have done while here that they too may grow up to be the fine, splendid citizens, patriotic and loyal to their country and flag as our fathers were. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. A little girl spoke to her nurse one morning and said, "Nurse, you heard me ask God to make me good, didn't you, last night?" "Yes," said the nurse. "Well, he hasn't done it." And you know when I came over here I felt pretty sour, but I am getting back to feeling pretty sweet.

Chairman EMERY. National Vice Commander Warner and I of the American Legion, if we could be allowed to speak at this time, would utter that historic sentence, "How long has this been going on?"

Before we proceed to hear from the Sons of Veterans and their auxiliary I am going to ask Professor Bullard—boy, he hates me to say that—and his band to play another number.

Music—Saladin Temple Band.

Chairman EMERY. Just one little thought that I want to add to you young men who are here in regard to these gifts that the commander in chief has gotten. He will know what to do with the cup.

We are now going to hear from Frank L. Kirchgassner, commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. You were surprised last night because I pronounced his name correctly. But I happen to know people of that name in this city, so I got it straight from the beginning.

Mr. KIRCHGASSNER. Colonel Emery, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, representative of the American Legion, honored comrades, and members of the allied orders:

Santa Claus has existed for a minute. These members of the auxiliary and Daughters, as our auxiliary, are the ones who know no depression when it comes to serving these comrades who went forth willing to give their lives in defense of our country.

I come as a representative of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War simply to say that as one in whose veins flows the blood of you comrades, they all have enthroned in their hearts the love of you men not only for your service in defense of the country but because of the evidence after you returned of your loyalty to that country you saved and the splendid citizenship which imbued in those going to the public schools the principles of patriotism so that they too, when the time came, should answer the call. So because of that



men went out in the Spanish War, and the records show that 70 percent of the men who served in the Spanish War were sons of you men or your comrades; and as was evidenced when this representative of the American Legion stood up and said his father served in the Civil War, we know too that we have evidence that many of our men went forth because in their veins flowed the blood of you men and they wanted to do as their fathers did.

By your lives and your civic devotion you have enthroned yourselves in the hearts of the American people, and from your ranks the people chose high, splendid leaders of this Nation of ours. Your sons will endeavor to ever keep alive the ideals for which you men fought. They will be true to the Constitution and to the country you saved. And I am sure they will go forth and always honor your memory by being good private citizens.

To you, Colonel Emery, and you, Honorable Mayor, as a representative of the Sons of Veterans, I appreciate all the hospitality you have extended to these comrades and the allied organizations. I am sure we shall ever remember it gratefully. May I just say in closing that on Wednesday after that parade when these comrades will pass down the streets, our organization will go to the public library and place there a tribute in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and the sixty-ninth annual encampment by their sons, and enduring tablet in bronze with those immortal words of Lincoln, the commander in chief of our comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. One of the finest commandments of the ten which Moses brought down out of Mount Sinai is that which reads, "Honor thy father and thy mother." If you Sons of Veterans are doing that, and you are, I am sure it is very commendable.

We are now going to hear from the national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans of the Civil War, Mrs. Gertrude M. Sautter.

Mrs. SAUTTER. Colonel Emery, commander in chief of the Grand Army, representative of the American Legion, Honorable Mayor, comrades of my father:

My father when a boy 15 years of age went with his two brothers to the front to fight for the same rights as you have fought for. You are being entertained tonight and this week by the city of Grand Rapids, and well do I know that the city of Grand Rapids is doing everything it can for your pleasure and for your comfort here in this city. I want to commend the citizens of Grand Rapids for the splendid work they are doing this week—not only this week but for the third successive time for the Grand Army of the Republic. It shows what the city of Grand Rapids thinks of you when they invite you back for the third time and when your toastmaster said he expects to have you back here again. What a wonderful thing that is for you Boys in Blue!

We as Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are just a part of your family. We come here year after year with the Grand Army to celebrate our reunion. Next year the national organization of the auxiliary will celebrate their fiftieth national celebration—their golden wedding. Fifty-three years ago the Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of

the Republic, was organized. Fifty-three years ago, 6 months after the Woman's Relief Corps was organized, the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans was organized. We are assisting the Sons of Veterans in every way possible to carry on, to carry on the work that our fathers, our grandfathers, and our uncles would have us carry on. We are your blood kin relatives of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander in Chief Stacey, you and your comrades are here to celebrate and have a good time. In this envelope my national organization give to you and your comrades five hundred \$1 bills. You have received from your family about \$3,000, haven't you?

Commander in Chief STACEY. I think so.

Mrs. SAUTTER. You can have a pretty good time on that with your comrades, can't you?

Commander in Chief STACEY. I will try to.

Mrs. SAUTTER. That is what we want you to do. We don't want you to put this away in a bank. We want you to use it for the comfort of every veteran here at this encampment, and I hope every veteran here will enjoy every penny of this while you are here in this encampment. And to you I wish for your convention and your members of your family one splendid encampment. And may God be with you for many, many more years to come. Accept it from one of your official family. Just say "Thank you." I know you are tired and we are going to ask you to sit down.

Chairman EMERY. Ain't that some daughter-in-law? Though the last time I remember seeing Santa Claus he had a red coat on.

This has been a very happy occasion for the citizens of Grand Rapids and those of us who worked a little on the committee. It has been a very instructive occasion for Commander Warner and myself, because we are going to our national convention of the American Legion 2 weeks from now, and we are going to tell our women folks something about how to do things. [Applause.]

I cannot tell you just in words how happy we citizens of Grand Rapids are to have you here. The fact that you are here the third time in 10 years is prima facie evidence that we want you, and if you do not come some other time soon we will never speak to you again.

We are going to close this very happy meeting, instead of with a benediction we are going to close it with the soldiers' benediction. We are going to have taps sounded, and then we will be dismissed and the band will play a number. Please rise. Taps will be sounded. (Taps.) (10:20 p. m.)



**CAMPFIRE HELD AT THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM, GRAND  
RAPIDS, MICH., WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER  
11, 1935**

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Col. John G. Emery, general chairman, presiding.

Music by the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry band.

Chairman EMERY. (8:55 p. m.) Well, here we are again. When they made up this program they had it down that I should preside at the memorial service on Sunday and the semiofficial meeting on Monday, and somebody else was going to officiate tonight. But I find that I am back on the old job, and I just like you comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic so much that I am going to stay. [Applause.] I refuse to go on a strike.

This is a campfire, a happy occasion. But we shall open it, as we do all Grand Army meetings, with the invocation of the Divine blessing. This will be done tonight by our own chaplain, Rev. J. King Gibson, national chaplain of the Grand Army of the Republic. Will you kindly rise while the chaplain invokes the Divine blessing.

Chaplain in Chief J. KING GIBSON. Thy Throne, O God, is forever and ever. We adore Thee from the heart, not only because of Thy greatness and power but because of Thy goodness through Thy Son which enables us to call Thee Father. Thy gentleness hath made us great. We do not forget that Thou hast created of one blood all nations of men to dwell upon the face of the earth, and hath determined the bounds of their habitation. In Thy gracious providence Thou hast planted in our land a Christian people and given them dominion over a once mighty wilderness. Not unto us—not unto us—but unto Thy Name be the praise. This land we love, cherish, and defend as a gift from Thee.

We beseech Thee to preserve us from discord, from the hand of the destroyer, and from national sins, that we may use this our inheritance for the good of mankind. To this end bless, we beseech Thee, the mayor of this city with its various homes, our President, the Governors of our various States, our schools and churches and hospitals, our Army and Navy, and bind together our people in a common brotherhood. Neither do we pray for ourselves alone but for all mankind, that peace and good will may prevail throughout the earth, hastening that one far off divine event to which the whole creation moves, when nation shall not rise up against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. In the name of the world's Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

Chairman EMERY. The preamble of the Constitution of the American Legion reads thus: "For God and country we associate ourselves together", and through the 69 years of the existence of the Grand Army of the Republic the same sentiment has prevailed.

We have asked the blessing of Almighty God. We are now going to pay homage and tribute to our country's flag. We are going to have the trooping of the colors. The various patriotic organizations here in Grand Rapids have brought their colors, and they are going to bring them upon the stage. After they are placed we are going to pronounce the pledge of allegiance and stand while the Star-Spangled Banner is being played. We will now have the trooping of the colors.

Trooping the colors—allied patriotic units.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"Star-Spangled Banner."

Chairman EMERY. Before we start upon our program I want to tell all you folks that through the courtesy of Col. William Hayes, commanding the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry of the National Guard of the State of Michigan, which regiment was a part of the Thirty-second Division and wrote during the war a real name for itself in the history of this country, and through the courtesy of Maj. Mallory Kincaid and Warrant Officer Glenn B. Litton, at the personal sacrifice of every member of the band, we have them here this evening. I want to thank all of them for their courtesy in coming and furnishing music for us this evening.

We are especially fortunate tonight in having a speaker of the evening in the person of Hon. A. P. Johnson of this city, an editor and publisher, an American par excellence, not a native born American, a man who has served his king, I mean the King of Sweden, in the armed forces of that great country, transplanted himself to the United States of America, served in the National Guard of the State of Minnesota. He had a brother, Carl A. Johnson. Needless to say that Carl Johnson was the apple of his older brother's eye. Carl Johnson was the first man who laid down his life in France in this same One Hundred Twenty-sixth Infantry, the first officer, and a post in Grand Rapids of the American Legion—the largest, by the way, is named for him. I do not want to thrust my hands into the heart strings of his soul before I ask him to speak, but A. P. is a fine chap. As I say, he was born on foreign soil, but he is an American because he chose to be, and I am sure that the message he is about to give you will be inspirational to you. It is an honor and a pleasure to present to you now the Hon. A. P. Johnson, of Grand Rapids.

Mr. JOHNSON. Worthy Toastmaster, Commander in Chief, Honored and Beloved Guests of the Grand Army of the Republic and Affiliated Organizations: There come moments in the lives of all when words become a clumsy means of expression, when speech fails and silence is the most eloquent testimony to our thoughts. Such a moment has come to me. The wealth of sentiment, of tradition; the majesty of life in its highest and finest contemplation overawes me. All I can hear is the shaking of my knees.

I have reason to be scared. I was told that the honor of addressing you this evening very properly fell to the President of the United States. Our President, being busy with his own army, could not be here. Next, the honor, again very properly, fell to the Governor of our State. They switched his act. You heard him Monday



evening. Why the sudden descent upon my shaking knees is known only to Colonel Emery, the chairman of this convention. There is a long and sad story back of it, but right at this moment he is one up on me.

He tried to justify his choice of speaker on the premise that I have been privileged to wear the uniform of a soldier of the United States. That is a privilege and a glorious common bond. It helps us to know what we have to cherish and protect. The greater number of men who have worn that uniform have not gone very far astray in their concepts of right and wrong. The greater number of them are good citizens. The greater number of them live good lives.

In that little war experience—Spanish-American—also for liberty, freedom, and human rights, we had before us, more vividly than now, the examples of your Grand Army veterans. We camped on your battlefields and fought your war over among ourselves. One of my buddies was the son of a Confederate soldier and I can assure you that every now and then there were new and fresh Civil Wars over the purposes, objectives, tragedies, and strategies of the one in which you were engaged.

I am going to borrow from the next number on the program the right to reminisce in order to prove my claim to your comradeship.

Our outfit was in a concentration camp in Pennsylvania, not far from Harrisburg, named after your illustrious and distinguished General Meade. Our fellows had that same peculiar and particular ailment that you seemed to have had, of getting hungry now and then, at the most unusual hours and under the most inconvenient circumstances. We were a very orderly lot; just as orderly, I assure you, as the boys that hitch-hiked with Sherman to the sea. And our officers were just as considerate of us as Meade and Sherman were of you. Well, the result was that instead of training to protect the Cubans, we put in most of our war experience protecting the farmers in the vicinity of Camp Meade. Somehow, things had the habit of disappearing around these farms—nothing valuable in particular—but chickens and eggs, milk, and cream, and a steer now and then. [Laughter.]

My buddy with the Confederate background and I were assigned to provost duty, guarding a four-corner country hamlet with headquarters in a farmyard. Now, remember, I wouldn't believe anything he said about the Civil War and my version of it fared no better with him. But we both used to get hungry about 2 in the morning. This particular farmer kept most of his perishable foodstuffs in the bottom of the well on a wide ledge, and we knew it. So we would take turns in lowering one another into the well and skim off a little milk or cream, pick up a few eggs, cut a small slice of bacon or whatever the well had. One moonlight night it was "Jefferson Davis"—that is what I called him—turn to go down into the well and fish up our provender for the night. Just as he reached the bottom the door in the farmhouse opened and a man came out. It was the farmer himself and he walked toward the well where I was sitting on the stone structure—my buddy at the bottom. It seems he couldn't sleep and wanted someone to talk with. To this day, I do not know if he had any inkling of what we were doing. And, it seemed, he was particularly disposed to talk about the perversities of human beings. He recalled as how



the Union soldiers had been encamped in that very neighborhood, "And would you believe it", he said, "they used to snatch our provisions from out of the depths of this very well." [Laughter.] And my buddy down there, hearing all this, couldn't make a move. Fortunately, it was not long before our visitor came to the conclusion he had better go back to bed, and that saved the day—or the night, as the case may be.

After that experience both my buddy and I felt a closer and a more peaceful kinship to the Civil War.

No event in the history of modern civilization so captivated human interest as did the Civil War. It stands, even today, foremost in the American mind, in American literature, in American arts, and, I may add, as an example par excellence in American economics. There is no other subject on which more has been written or on which more has been said. What more can be added?

Grand Rapids today had the honor to accept for placement in its public library from the Sons of Union Veterans a bronze plaque containing the inspired message from your great leader which will echo through the ages to which he belonged. The last word on the Civil War, its purposes and accomplishments, were contained in that American benediction—that "a government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth." [Applause.] There is no wonder, honored guests, that you could fight, that you could suffer, and that your comrades could die under such leadership.

But that is not all. The war for the principle for which you fought did not end there. There has been a constant war from that day to this and, perhaps, will continue to be as human nature now is constituted, for a maintenance of that cherished ideal.

The enemy has not been the Confederate soldier openly, though misguided, fighting for what he believed was right. More frequently than not that enemy has not been in uniform and showing his colors. But he has been found wherever and whenever efforts have been made to destroy that great ideal for which you fought—one indissoluble union for the greater common good. [Applause.] That was the purpose of the Civil War; that was the objective of the subsequent years of the reconstruction; that, after all, is the rallying call which brings you here tonight.

Eternal watchfulness still is the price of liberty. Through your watchfulness, not only on the battleground but in the ranks of your civil lives; in the purposes to which the Grand Army of the Republic is dedicated; in the type of living you have displayed that brings you close to the century mark—far beyond the average span—you have written a bright page in that story of government. There is no more consistent record of watchfulness in the annals of recorded time. Fighting, yes, the peoples of the earth always have fought. But the occasions are rare and the instances few and far between when the right kind of fighting has been coordinated with the right kind of living.

We have no fear of the armed foe. We have no fear of aggression or of attack by any nation or combination of nations upon this earth. [Applause.] We are united forever against any foe or invader of our domain. But we have cause to fear the foes from within, the foes of watchfulness, of self-determination, and of equal-



ity. We have cause to fear untried philosophies which tear down but do not build. We have cause to fear those who forcibly or hastily would change that sacred benediction—a government of the people, by the people, for the people, as the principles therein contained have been established in and by the Constitution of the United States. [Applause.] It is that document, beloved friends, that brought you here tonight. It is for that document and its glorious emblem, the flag of our country, that you fought. Are these to be set aside? Are these, plus the right of every man to live his own life, to be traded for vague and visionary speculations, untried philosophies, and unchartered procedures in American government?

I believe there is no one in this room who would make that trade. Reflected here is the supreme test of that Constitution and of the might and humanity of that flag. Reposing here is the strength and courage and faith to carry on. And you who are nearing the sunset may meet the gathering shadows secure in the belief they shall not pass who would take away the least of what you have given, who would strike one blow against the ideals for which you have lived and fought, or who would place upon that flag one blemish in the course of its remaking of the peoples of this earth into a world-wide brotherhood of man. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Mr. Johnson, I am sure that I speak for all of us who are at this campfire when I tell you we are deeply grateful to you for having come here tonight and having given this very inspirational address.

Music—One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry Band.

Chairman EMERY. Monday evening we heard from the national vice commander of the American Legion representing the National Headquarters of that great body. Two weeks ago in Flint, the American Legion of this sovereign State of Michigan, which is really your host at this time, elected a new commander for the coming year. Now we have heard a great deal about the Army and from the Army so far in this encampment. Up to this time we haven't heard very much from the Navy. Where is Judge Willett? Is he here tonight? I do not see him. He is probably wrestling with some important problem of the Judge Advocate General's office.

The young man that the American Legion elected 2 weeks ago at their State convention to be their head for the next year came from the Navy; and I hope you will bear with me if as a World War veteran, I tell you men of the G. A. R. again as your years decline that we younger men—I say “we” advisedly, with this gray hair that I have—are going to do all we can to carry on the traditions for which you fought. Now that may sound rather bromidic, because I have said it before and many have said it before. But if I were a veteran of the Grand Army of the Republic I would like to know that this younger militant group were going to do just that thing.

So I am going to present to you at this time David V. Addy, of Detroit, a young veteran of the World War coming from the Navy, who for the next year is going to guide the destinies of the American Legion in this great commonwealth of Michigan. He is going to speak to you at this time for a few minutes. Commander Addy.

Mr. ADDY. Comrade Chairman, commander in chief, ladies, friends, comrades, and shipmates: I am sorry to say I cannot take



particular pride in the fact that as an ex-Navy man I was elected to head the great Department of Michigan during the ensuing year. While I like to feel that it is an honor and I was chosen because of my connection with the Navy, it so happened that the only other candidate was also a Navy man, and the delegates had no choice in the matter. [Applause.]

It is indeed a very high honor and privilege for me to appear to-night at the campfire of your sixty-ninth annual encampment to extend to you on behalf of the Department of Michigan, the American Legion, our greetings and our best wishes, and I desire likewise to take the opportunity of expressing myself personally, first as a citizen, and secondly as the commander of the Department of Michigan, in extending to you our most heartfelt thanks for what you have contributed to this Nation of ours.

You heard the call. You answered. You preserved the Union. And for over 70 years you have made a contribution to this cause and to these principles that it is our sincere desire to be able to emulate. And, as Colonel Emery so well put it, I also want to assure you that the American Legion stands ready to assist and to take over at the time that you so will it the carrying out of these principles in the future.

We appreciate that the time is here, like it has been throughout the many years of your enlistment in this cause, to watch carefully and well so that those interests and those un-Americans that would tear down the things for which you fought and for which you worked so hard to protect; that those interests, as I say, are in our midst and it behooves us through a keen and watchful policy to eliminate them from our midst. This we pledge you, as long as there is one left in our ranks we will carry on in the manner that you so well have outlined for us. [Applause.]

I do not believe that I could better express to you the thoughts and the ideas the Department of Michigan, the American Legion, has of its relation with the Grand Army of the Republic than to read to you the resolution adopted at the convention that the colonel told you about just a few weeks ago at Flint, Mich. This is the resolution, adopted unanimously in its second business session upon the recommendation of the resolutions committee:

Whereas, during the past few years, the people of the United States have been so engrossed with the problems affecting our national economic welfare, and

Whereas, it has occurred to our committee that the proper national respect and reverence for the rapidly diminishing ranks of the Union veterans of the Civil War have been more or less lacking; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Department of Michigan of the American Legion take an active part in the Sixty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Grand Rapids, Mich., in order to help bring about a change of public opinion; and

Further, that a copy of this resolution be sent to National Commander Frank Belgrano of the American Legion with an urgent request that he personally deliver an address from the youngest veteran group to the oldest veteran group; and, be it further

*Resolved*, That the Michigan Department commander be instructed to take this matter up with the proper committee at the national convention at St. Louis with the recommendation that the American Legion take a more active interest in the few remaining annual encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic.

[Applause.]



You have my assurance that as that commander the idea behind this resolution and the purpose thereof will be transmitted to our national convention at St. Louis with the proper recommendations.

And again, on behalf of the 30,000 Legionnaires in the State of Michigan, I salute the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Now we are going to try and warm up a little bit, and break down a little bit, and get a little more informal, and all that sort of thing, like we are supposed to around a campfire.

Commander Stacey, I am not going to let you make a speech at all. In fact, he didn't want to make a speech. But he is our commander in chief, you know, and we like him, and I want him to just stand up a second and show you that beautiful past commander's jewel with five diamonds in it that was given to him this afternoon. Stand up. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. I told your manager that I would not have anything to say tonight, that I was too tired. I happen to think of that little story of the young people just started out on a honeymoon trip on a boat. And the young wife had occasion to go down to the ladies' bathroom, and about the time she got down there a cabin boy came in to scrub the floor. And he took his time about it, and the young husband got nervous and he commenced walking around, and finally went to the door of the bathroom and said, "Honey! Honey!" No reply. "Honey! Honey!" Still no reply. He tried it once more. "Honey! Honey! Honey!" About this time the cabin boy got up on his feet and said, "Mister, this is no beehive. This is a ladies' bathroom." [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. You know I spoke the other night about growing old gracefully. That is the way to grow old gracefully. He still has a sense of humor. You know one of the finest things in the world—there have been poems written, and Shakespeare and a lot of other people have written plays, and the main theme in the movies is the love of a man for a woman. But the finest thing in my opinion is not the love of a man for a woman, but the love of a man for a man. There is sitting down here, and I am going to ask him to come up here—I refer to Comrade A. C. Estabrook of the great State of Michigan. He and I served as members of the Board of Managers of the Michigan Soldiers' Home for a number of years. I count it one of the richest prizes in my life that I have had his friendship. He is the youngest man of 89 years that I know of. He has served the Grand Army in season and out. He is modest and retiring, but I want my buddy, my comrade, Albert C. Estabrook of Allegan and Grand Rapids and Michigan to come up here just a minute and talk to you.

Comrade A. C. ESTABROOK. Mr. Chairman, commander in chief, comrades of the Grand Army, ladies of the various organizations, sons of veterans, and friends: It is embarrassing to me to be introduced as a speaker in such flattering terms. It is certainly misleading, and will result in a big disappointment, having so much oratory here on the stage, as I am not an orator.

I am going to give you my idea of the origin and purposes of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The organization had its inception in Illinois in the spring of 1866, the year following the close of the Civil War. I will not enter into the details.

A yearning for the old comradeship, coupled with a desire to foster and support the principles for which we contended for 4 years on bloody fields in the Southland was the primary object in instituting the Grand Army of the Republic.

An organization unique, distinct, clothed in its own individuality, a recognized leader in the most practical object lesson in patriotic consecration, a giant in swaying the minds of legislators, it became in its first quarter of a century the impelling force in our country's onward march to the highest goal of national material achievement, and is still a strong factor in American civics.

The Grand Army has written a book of history, the pages of which can never be erased. Among the social institutions established and maintained for the welfare of this country, none have attained a closer place in the hearts of the people than has the Grand Army of the Republic.

Its original purpose was, as I said before, to cherish the friendships born in toil and danger, and to perpetuate the memory of those comrades who have passed beyond the Land of Shadows. In all its career it has adhered to its basic principles and never allowed its power and influence to be used for ignoble deeds.

The esteem and affection of the people toward its personnel, its traditions and all its social activities have increased as the years have come and gone, and have become a joy to every aged veteran. So, appreciating these expressions of popular regard, we would place on record our grateful acknowledgments.

Comrades, the influence of the Grand Army will never die. Even with our depleted, decimated ranks I believe this organization has more influence today than it has ever had.

We are all nearing the sunset of life. We have but a few years to live. They will soon pass and the Grand Army of the Republic will soon become just a memory. But I have an abiding faith in our affiliated societies, who will carry on the work inaugurated by the veterans of the Civil War 69 years ago. They will appreciate this memory as long as this glorious Republic stands—a monument to the ideals, aspirations and sacrifices of their forefathers.

And now, comrades, after the business of this encampment is finished and we return to our homes, let us indulge the hope that a year hence we will meet in the city selected by this encampment with but few missing, renew old acquaintances, recount the oft-told war tales, and live over again in memory the scenes and incidents of the Civil War days. I thank you. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. You know I am going to take a chance here. There is an old saying that old soldiers never die; they only fade away. And as I am rapidly approaching the time when I will be an old soldier, it gives me the privilege of telling a story. It says right here on the program that we are going to have reminiscences. I am reminded of an incident which happened in France. Along in April 1918 I got a letter from the mother of one of the men in my company saying that her son had not written her since the previous June when he left the United States to go to France. So I called in Private Burbeck and said to him "George, I have a letter from your mother in which she says she has not heard a word from you since last June. Why don't you write her?" He said, "I ain't much



of a hand at letter writing. Ma knows I am here." I suppose he went on the theory that no news is good news. I said to him "Listen to me. You have got a wonderful mother." We were censoring every letter as it came through—different than it was in the Civil War. "I am going to look for you to write a letter to your mother in a day or two so that she will know you are all right." So I sat down and wrote his mother a letter about what a good soldier her boy was, and kept my eye open for the letter that was coming from George to his mother. And after while it came and I felt that I had certainly done my duty to his mother in getting this letter across. But when I opened the letter to censor it this it what it said, and all it said: "Dear Ma: This ain't no ordinary war. Your son George." I want to say that I think the same thing applied to the Civil War.

What is it, comrade?

A Comrade in the Audience. Mr. Chairman, I am from the great State of Indiana. During the last 2 years of the Civil War I was a scout in front of Sherman's Army. There were a great many bullets that bushwhackers fired at me. They never drew a drop of blood and never got me into a hospital. I want to say to the comrades—I looked over them today in the parade—I want to say: Stand by the Constitution and the Supreme Court of the United States regardless of dictators. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. What do you want to bet he ain't no Democrat? [Applause.]

We have with us tonight the chaplain of the Michigan Soldiers' Home. He is Capt. C. Swartz. He is coming up to the platform to very briefly greet you on behalf of the United Spanish War Veterans of the State of Michigan. Captain Swartz.

Captain C. SCHWARTZ. Commander in Chief Stacey comrades, friends of the Grand Army of the Republic:

I esteem it a great privilege tonight to come here on behalf of the Department of Michigan, United Spanish War Veterans, to greet you and bring you the heartiest welcome of that great department of the State of Michigan, United Spanish War Veterans, and their wish for a most successful and prosperous encampment.

We greet you because we know of the great service that you have rendered and for what you are to us. You are the fathers of many of our comrades of the Spanish War, and even some of your comrades themselves served during that war. And so we feel that we are very closely related to you and we are your successors. We have adopted you in most of our camps and we are glad to welcome you and to do what we can to be of service at all times, and we are grateful.

I could not help but rejoice as I stood this morning and saw that great parade of you comrades coming down the Avenue and to see the alertness of step and that great showing of preserved physique out there. And I believe that I can, in behalf of the United Spanish War Veterans, say that we are going to, by the grace of Almighty God, follow in your footsteps [applause] and be faithful and true, because the objects of our organization are freedom, patriotism, and humanity; and we hope to serve to the best of our ability and that we may follow and be as loyal to our Nation and to our flag as you have been.

Commander in Chief Stacey, in behalf of the Michigan Department, United Spanish War Veterans, I want to present to you a little floral offering this evening for your encampment; and may the beauty of these flowers express to you the sincere, hearty wishes of our department to you as commander in chief of the great Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief STACEY. There has been so much of this today it reminds me of the story of the little girl. She got up one morning and she said, "Auntie, didn't I say my prayers last night?" "Yes." "Didn't I ask God to make me a good little girl?" "Yes." "He didn't do it." But as nearly as I can figure it the people of this city and the Spanish War veterans and the American Legion must have asked God last night to make them good, and He answered their prayers, because He has been very good all day to the old vets; and we thank them all for the services and the kindness that they are giving us. Thank you.

Chairman EMERY. We have as a visitor from York State, a son of a veteran, Mr. Judson Cole, who has a number which he wants to present at this time. This is Mr. Cole. He comes from Elmira Heights, N. Y.

(Mr. Cole recited Theodosia Garrison's poem, Memorial Day.)

Chairman EMERY. Now I want to have Judge Charles Edward Bull, who, as you know, appeared at the world's fair last year and the year before, and who is a striking likeness of "Old Abe", come up and let us see him for 2 or 3 minutes at this time. Let me present him to you now.

Mr. BULL. Commander in Chief of the Grand Army Stacey, officers and members of other affiliated patriotic orders: I have been a student of Lincoln more than half of my life. For the past 8 months I have been actively engaged in producing my story of Abraham Lincoln, the Man, in drama. I shall read briefly a little sketch from scene 11 of this drama. Perhaps it will revive old memories to these grand old men of the Grand Army. The scene is in General Grant's headquarters in the field near Richmond. Officers and soldiers are about. A tired, weather-beaten, thinly clad straggler goes by, arms at will. The following dialog takes place. By the way, the sentinel at Grant's headquarters has a bright rifle, clean uniform, and white gloves. I tell you how he is dressed to contrast him with the straggler. This is the conversation:

SENTINEL. Halt! What do you belong to?

STRAGGLER. Eighth Missouri, sir.

SENTINEL. What division?

STRAGGLER. Fifteenth Army Corps.

SENTINEL. What brigade?

STRAGGLER. Giles Smith's; Second Brigade of the Second Division.

SENTINEL. What Army Corps?

STRAGGLER. Fifteenth, I told you. I am one of the heroes of Vicksburg, of General Grant's First Army. Anything more, Mr. Sentinel?

SENTINEL. Where is your badge?

STRAGGLER. The badge, is it? What's that?

SENTINEL. You see the star on my cap. That's the badge of the Twelfth Corps. That crescent on my partner's cap over there is the badge of the Eleventh Corps.

STRAGGLER. I see now. That is how you fellows go about at night. You take the moon and stars with you.

SENTINEL. But what is the badge of your corps?



STRAGGLER. Lincoln and (about face)—Lincoln and the cartridge box. Do you see that, a cartridge box, with the "U. S." on the brass plate and 40 rounds in the cartridge box and 60 rounds in my pocket. That's the badge of the Fifteenth. It came from Vicksburg with General Grant to help win the fight at Chattanooga and now comes here to help wind up this whole shebang. Is that to your taste, Mr. Sentinel?

SENTINEL. Pass. [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. I want to present to you a fellow statesman of ours. I use "statesman" in the broader sense, in that he is a resident of this great State of Michigan, Ira Stewart, who has been commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in the Department of Michigan for the last year. He went A. W. O. L. Monday night. He was supposed to be here to give his greetings, and I am insisting that he give the greetings now before we all go home. Ira Stewart.

Department Commander IRA M. STEWART, of Michigan. Mr. Chairman and commander in chief: I don't know how I could say anything to interest such a crowd as this. My good soldiers bestowed upon me the honor of State commander. I am not going to try to make much of a speech, but I will tell you a story of an encounter I had with the first general I was under and how I got the best of him.

I was on the outer post and he came along about noon on his light bay horse, a jaunty uniform on, and went over to Iuka, was there all the afternoon, and came back along about a quarter past 12 o'clock. I was on post no. 1 on the Iuka road. I hailed him, and he didn't halt. I hailed him again, and he didn't halt. And the next time I brought up my old carbine and I said, "You stop or I'll stop you," and I stepped out where the moon shone on that gun. If he had had an airbrake I don't think he would have stopped any quicker. I said, "Who goes there?" He said, "A friend." I said, "Advance and give the countersign." But he forgot to get the countersign of the lieutenant of B Company and he didn't have it. That is once I had an advantage of a general.

I made him dismount from his horse and I got up in the saddle, and I said "Mark time, sir." And I made him do that for an hour and three-quarters. He was a large man and he was going this way [indicating]. Every once in a while he would stop, and I would say "Mark time, sir." When the relief came around to relieve me I am telling you he was a very tired man and he was sweating awful hard. The lieutenant said to me, "Didn't you know who that man was?" I said, "No, sir. Furthermore I didn't have to know." I said, "He didn't have the countersign", and, I said, "I think he has paid pretty dear for his experience. That is all there was to it."

When I was relieved the next morning and went into camp there was an order for the sentinel at post no. 1 on the Iuka road to go to headquarters. My captain said to me, "You are up. Don't be afraid of him." I said, "He didn't scare me last night, and I don't think he is going to scare me this morning." I went up to headquarters, told them who I was, went in and sat down. He sat there for about 2 or 3 minutes and never spoke at all, with his hands resting on his knees. All at once he said, "Young man, didn't you know who that man was that you made mark time for an hour and three-quarters last night?" I said, "No, sir; and furthermore I

didn't care. He didn't have the countersign and I think whoever he was he paid pretty dear for his experience." He didn't wait long—probably a minute—and he said, "I was the man", he said, "that you made mark time for an hour and a half last night." And he said, "I want to tell you I was the damnedest tiredest man you ever saw." [Applause.]

Chairman EMERY. Well, we are kind of swapping stories here a little bit. I was unfortunate enough to be one of these officers—myself, and I know how to feel sorry for them.

When I came back from overseas, I was a major at that time—you know how it is—they asked me to make a good many talks, and it was Major Emery this and Major Emery that; and one day a lady called my wife and she said, "Mrs. Emery, I have something interesting to tell you." She said, "Our little girl came home from school the other day and she said, 'We had a wonderful time.'" It was just before Memorial Day. "Some little boys recited and little girls sang, and then Major General spoke on Americanism." I had to tell her it was Major Emery."

Right after that word came from Washington that I was to be a colonel. My little daughter looked over very soberly and said, "Daddy, are you the kernel of a nut or a nut of a colonel?" [Laughter.] I had to admit that I was the latter.

Now we are going to have another number by the band. Just hold everything. Comrade Estabrook is warming up.

Comrade A. C. ESTABROOK. Telling war stories of course reminded me of this one, an old story of the Civil War, but probably some of you younger ones have not heard it. General Sheridan was coming down to Cedar Creek from Winchester. Sheridan was quartered at Winchester at the time. He started for Cedar Creek, 20 miles away. You probably have read "Sheridan's Ride." When he reached the battle front, or near there, he met an Irishman coming down the lane with his coat tails flying out behind. Sheridan said, "Pat, what are you running so for?" "Bejabers, because I can't fly." [Laughter.]

Music—126th Infantry Band.

Chairman EMERY. We will now arise while the national chaplain, Rev. J. King Gibson, pronounces the benediction, immediately after which Taps will be sounded. Please remain in your seats, after which Taps will be sounded and we will be dismissed. We will now have the benediction. You will all please rise.

Chaplain in Chief J. KING GIBSON. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen. ("Taps.") (10:10 p. m.)



## THE GRAND PARADE

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The following accounts of the parade held on the forenoon of Wednesday, September 11, 1935, are taken from the Grand Rapids papers of that and the following day:

[Press]

G. A. R. MARCHES ONCE MORE—SPARSE RANKS GO ON REVIEW—THRONGS LINE STREETS TO CHEER G. A. R. VETERANS ON PARADE—DEFY INFIRMITY OF AGE—SOLDIERS OF CIVIL WAR SHOW SAME DAUNTLESS SPIRIT AS IN DAYS OF YOUTH.

They marched!

Forgetting the burden of their years since '61, hearing only the war drums beat, seeing only their flag unfurled, the Stars and Stripes for which they fought and bled, all but a few of the more than 300 members of the Grand Army of the Republic tramped along in the annual encampment parade Wednesday morning.

Shoulders squared and feet striking again the staccato of military strides, they marched, these boys in blue whose average age is more than 91 years. At least 80 percent of them formed ranks with their State units and tramped the line from Sheldon Avenue along Monroe Avenue, past the reviewing stand at Market Avenue, to give salute to their Commander-in-Chief Alfred E. Stacey and on again to the end of the procession at Civic Auditorium via Huron Street.

### TEARS AND CHEERS

Their hearts throbbing to the spirit of that day when as boys in their early teens they answered the Union call to arms and offered to give all that any man has, his life, that the Stars and Stripes might forever fly over a nation undivided and a union of states indissoluble. And as they passed the thousands of spectators, old and young, who lined the sidewalks caught anew the ideals for which they fought and eyes dimmed with tears and pulses beat high as the remnant of the grand old army trod again in retrospect the warpaths of the Mason and Dixon line.

The cheering throng gave added applause to the three Negro marchers, men who ran away from slavery to join the Union forces and help preserve the Union. Their comrades in the reviewing stand gave them a special salute also for it was that all should be free with no man bond servant to another that the war had been fought.

### KEEP DAUNTLESS SPIRIT

Dauntlessly they marched, oblivious of the changing years, with no shadow of fear expressed that many of them never again may march in an encampment parade. They were a gay, laughing throng. They were men who have no fear of tomorrow for they conquered fear three score and ten years ago.

Supporting the Stars and Stripes and their organization colors as the first color bearers in the line were L. L. Baker, of New London, Conn.; E. W. Phillips, of Wichita, Kans.; and John Little, of Pittsburgh, Pa. Each State unit also had its color bearers and in many cases they were Civil War veterans. Department commanders of several State units also marched in command of their units.

Commander Stacey, of Elbridge, N. Y., and his official staff rode in the car of honor with an escort of uniformed ranks of the Sons of Union Veterans from Pennsylvania.

The veterans lined up by States with the Department of Illinois first. Only the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, their official escort, the official bands, fife and drum corps, and members of the encampment executive committee, headed by Col. John G. Emery, were in the parade.

#### PLANES OVER PARADE

Members of allied organizations joined with other spectators from the sidewalks to pay tribute to the veterans. Public schools in the city were closed in the morning so that the youth of this city might see the parade and from it gain a lesson of living patriotism far more potent than that contained in the pages of textbooks.

Over the short but gallant line flew three observation planes from Scott Field in Illinois sent here by the War Department as a mark of respect to the Grand Army of the Republic. Lt. J. J. Connell was in charge of the flight group.

Commander Stacey and his staff broke ranks at the reviewing stand and there watched his comrades of other days pass in review. And as they passed history's pages were turned in imagination or retrospect by the spectators to the day when as boys in their early teens these veterans went into battle, those in line today to return but many to make the supreme sacrifice that the Union might survive.

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[Herald]

#### DRUM, FIFES SET PACE AS CROWDS CHEER MARCHERS

By CARLETON CADY

Old soldiers never die—they just fade away.

Someone said that yesterday after the Grand Army of the Republic had marched down Monroe Avenue under the warm September sun and the azure skies of early autumn, and it seems appropriate.

Polished buttons gleamed and the heavens reflected the blue in which they fought.

They were the same old soldiers whom newer generations have always known. To the men who were boys 10 years ago—and 20 and 30 and 40 years ago—those men who were boys in their country's darkest hour and, as boys, marched away to save the Union, were little changed. They marched as smartly, as eagerly, as memory said they should. Their glance followed the Stars and Stripes as loyally as ever, and if eyes were dimmer than they had been, there was no hint of it. They were the same old soldiers who, for generations, have been the living example of American patriotism.

If there was pathos in yesterday's parade, it was not in those 160 men who marched down the rough-paved street past the reviewing stand, but in the vacant places in the ranks—the files that have faded away.

It was still the Grand Army of the Republic.

#### SPIRIT UNDAUNTED

The Army Corps of 1861-65 may have dwindled to squads, and brigades may have been represented by a single last man, but the spirit of those who marched was as staunch and sturdy, as loyal and as heroic, as ever it was.

Along the sidewalks and curbstones, mounting in rows on seats beside the reviewing stand, thousands cheered.

There were those in the crowd who remembered when "Father Abraham's" call was answered, who remembered battle-scarred homecomings. There were those whose thoughts were of the empty files.

But the marchers themselves, it was evident, were living in the present. And in the present, as they have been for three score and ten years, they were an inspiration to those who cheered them, and a joy to themselves.

It was their day. In hotels and meeting rooms, they have been accompanied during the encampment by their auxiliary organizations whose memberships outnumber them 50 to 1—Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey reports less than 6,000 Grand Army of the Republic members to more than 300,000 in allied groups—but the parade was their own. General orders for the day specified, "Women, children and civilians will be prohibited from participating," and the orders were obeyed.



## VETERANS' BIGGEST DAY

It was strictly military, as was appropriate. There was no discordant note of civilian incongruity.

The sole concession to nonagenarianism was the cadence established in the general orders, 90 steps to the minute, only a little slower than the cadence of troops on active duty.

Shrill fifes and thundering drums set the pace, just as they did in the Civil War. Now and then a drum and bugle corps of younger veterans of later battles gave variety to the music which is strange to the ears of today.

Stirring music of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry Band led the parade, and then, after an interval, came the guard of honor from Pennsylvania.

Sons and grandsons of the Grand Army men marched as the reincarnation of the boys of 1861-65, wearing the trim blue uniforms and jaunty stiff-brimmed kepis of the Union's Civil War army.

Said an elderly woman in the reviewing stand: "Those boys look just like our boys did when they marched away to the South."

The Sons of Union Veterans, led by their fife and drum corps and with the platoon of rifles furnished the note of contrast. For behind them, after Commander Stacey and his staff had ascended the reviewing stand to receive the salutes of the fading army, came the troops of long ago, aging, sometimes limping, but with buttons shined, with kepis at a dashing angle, with black campaign hats properly military.

In the order of their seniority, the departments marched. Illinois with two full squads, 16 men, following their colors; Wisconsin with a full rank and two vacant places in the second; Ohio with an even dozen; Pennsylvania's heroes marched in the uniform their sons had copied, 14 all told; New Yorkers, prim and spruce, were true to their traditional fine appearance.

A few of the departments were represented in the marching column only by their colors; but only a few. The Department of the Potomac, Maryland, Delaware, Alabama, North Dakota, sent their colors ahead, while their veterans rode in the automobiles that followed. Guardsmen of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry, Boy Scouts, and Sons of Veterans formed the color guards for these.

But the other departments were represented by some of their contingents on foot. Massachusetts men to the number of 10 were in line, California and Nevada with 10, Maine with 10, Kentucky with 7, Kansas with 7, Iowa with 6. Some sent only one to carry the flag or to march as its guard with a younger man.

## MICHIGAN LAST IN LINE

Michigan, although ranking 18th in seniority, marched last in line, led by a fife and drum corps of 20 men.

It took a full half hour for the marchers to pass, and another quarter hour for the long line of closely spaced automobiles carrying the veterans who had been dissuaded from risking the blocks of newly torn up pavement, hurriedly patched for the occasion.

But not willingly did the others ride in automobiles. Only those whose manifold duties as officers of the Grand Army of the Republic and who felt the necessity for going into the opening business sessions fresh and rested, consented without argument to save their steps.

Shorter than have been most parades, this march of the Grand Army was witnessed by throngs rivaling those of the longest. From Sheldon Avenue, where the column formed, to Huron Street, where the marchers left Monroe Avenue to disband, spectators jammed the sidewalks from store fronts to curbs and overflowed to the pavement. At Campau Square the bleacher seats erected for relatives and friends of the old soldiers were filled to capacity.





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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Syracuse, New York, September 1, 1934.*

I. Having been elected and installed commander in chief by the sixty-eighth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. Headquarters are established in room 110, Board of Education Building, 130 West Genesec Street, Syracuse, N. Y., where all official communication should be addressed to the adjutant general.

III. The following appointments are hereby announced:

Adjutant general, Calvin A. Brainard, Jackson, Mich.

Quartermaster general, Samuel P. Town, 340 City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa.

IV. Further appointments will be announced in future general orders.

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in chief.*

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
110 BOARD OF EDUCATION BUILDING,  
*Syracuse, N. Y., November 12, 1934.*

I. At the sixty-eighth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Rochester, N. Y., August 13-18, 1934, the following named comrades were elected to the offices designated below:

Commander in chief, Alfred E. Stacey, Elbridge, N. Y.

Senior vice commander in chief, Harding I. Merrill, Wichita, Kans.

Junior vice commander in chief, George H. Pounder, Fort Atkinson, Wis.

Surgeon general, Dr. E. H. Cowan, Crawfordsville, Ind.

Chaplain in chief, Rev. J. King Gibson, Dayton, Ohio.

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Alabama, Frank McCloud, Fairhope.

Arkansas, John Q. Hays, Little Rock.

California and Nevada, George N. Lockwood, Los Angeles, Calif.

Colorado and Wyoming, James E. Jewel, Fort Morgan, Colo.

Connecticut, Henry W. Burrill, Hartford.

Delaware, James T. Twigg, Wilmington.

Florida, M. M. Monahan, Tampa.

Idaho, Judson Spofford, Boise.

Illinois, H. B. Davidson, Springfield.

Indiana, David N. Foster, Fort Wayne.

Iowa, Oley Nelson, Slater.

Kansas, E. W. Phillips, Wichita.

Kentucky, M. H. Davidson, Louisville.

Louisiana and Mississippi, M. Henderson, Vicksburg, Miss.

Maine, Joseph W. Lake, Kennebunkport.

Maryland, George T. Leech, Baltimore.

Massachusetts, Frederick H. Bishop, Wollaston.

Michigan, Isaac Grant, Reed City.

Minnesota, Samuel E. Mahan, St. Paul.

Missouri, A. J. P. Barnes, Joplin.

Montana, John Marchion, Anaconda.

Nebraska, E. F. Brown, Lincoln.

New Hampshire, George F. Horne, Nashua.  
 New Jersey, Joseph A. Goodrich, Jersey City.  
 New York, Martin V. Stone, Jamestown.  
 North Dakota, Thomas Sheard, Cathay.  
 Ohio, Emmet F. Taggart, Akron.  
 Oklahoma, R. L. Johnson, Tonkawa.  
 Oregon, Henry Hopkins, Newberg.  
 Pennsylvania, Jacob Barron, Philadelphia.  
 Potomac, John Middleton, Brentwood, Md.  
 Rhode Island, Charles H. Bullock, East Providence.  
 South Dakota, W. H. Cornell, Brookings.  
 Tennessee, F. M. Underwood, Knoxville.  
 Texas, John Shearer, Houston.  
 Utah, Elias Price, Salt Lake City.  
 Vermont, John H. Amadon, Waterville.  
 Virginia and North Carolina, Charles Grandy, Norfolk, Va.  
 Washington and Alaska, T. F. Coley, Seattle, Wash.  
 West Virginia, Thomas Carder, Parkersburg.  
 Wisconsin, W. H. Chesbrough, Beloit.

II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief are hereby announced:

Adjutant general, Calvin A. Brainard, Jackson, Mich.  
 Quartermaster general, Samuel P. Town, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Judge advocate general, James W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.  
 Inspector general, M. H. Davidson, Louisville, Ky.  
 National patriotic instructor, Henry B. Davidson, Springfield, Ill.  
 Assistant adjutant general, **Ira R. Wildman, Danbury, Conn.**  
 Chief of staff, James H. Campbell, Chicago, Ill.  
 Senior aide-de-camp, John C. Mullins, Brooklyn, N. Y.

III. Comrade Emmet F. Taggart, Akron, Ohio, was elected trustee of the permanent fund for 3 years.

IV. The commander of the Department of Illinois, having appointed Comrade A. C. Best, Princeton, Ill., a member of the national council of administration, to succeed Comrade Henry B. Davidson, appointed national patriotic instructor, the appointment is hereby confirmed.

V. The commander of the Department of Indiana, having appointed Comrade John H. Hoffman, Ligonier, Ind., a member of the national council of administration, to succeed Comrade David N. Foster, deceased, the appointment is hereby confirmed.

VI. The commander of the Department of Kentucky, having appointed Comrade Cyrus Edwards, Horse Cave, Ky., a member of the national council of administration, to succeed Comrade M. H. Davidson, appointed inspector general, the appointment is hereby confirmed.

VII. The commander of the Department of California and Nevada, having appointed Comrade Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif., a member of the national council of administration to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Comrade George N. Lockwood, the appointment is hereby confirmed.

VIII. At a meeting of the national council of administration, held in the Seneca Hotel, Rochester, N. Y., August 17, 1934, it was voted that the executive committee of the national council of administration should consist of the commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, adjutant general, quartermaster general, and five members of the council of administration to be appointed by the commander in chief. In accordance with this action the following-named comrades are appointed members of the executive committee: Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif.; Emmet F. Taggart, Akron, Ohio; Martin V. Stone, Jamestown, N. Y.; Frederick H. Bishop, Wollaston, Mass.; Joseph A. Goodrich, Jersey City, N. J.

IX. National headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in room 110, Board of Education Building, 130 West Genesee Street, Syracuse, N. Y., where all official communications to the commander in chief and adjutant general should be addressed.

X. Grand Rapids, Mich., was chosen as the meeting place of the sixty-ninth national encampment. The date will be announced in future general orders.

XI. The following committee is appointed:

*Legislation.*—Edwin J. Foster, Worcester, Mass.; Samuel P. Town, Philadelphia, Pa.; Charles E. Nason, Gray, Maine; John H. Shepherd, Berwyn, Md.; Orestus Blake, Jackson, Mich.



XII. All requisitions for supplies, with remittances therefor, must be sent to the quartermaster general, Samuel P. Town, 340 City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa. Drafts, checks, and money orders should be made payable to him as quartermaster general. All remittances for amounts less than \$5 must be sent in post-office money orders.

XIII. Assistant adjutants general are requested to forward promptly to these headquarters notice of the death of any permanent member of the national encampment in their respective departments, with brief sketch of their military and Grand Army service for publication in general orders.

XIV. Assistant adjutants general are requested to send to the adjutant general immediately after receipt of these orders, the department roster, the journal of the last department encampment, and all general orders issued during the year.

XV. Department commanders will forward to these headquarters the names of comrades whom they wish to recommend for appointment as aides-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief. They are requested to give the full name of each comrade recommended, post number, and post-office address, so that notice of appointment may be sent promptly.

XVI. Assistant adjutants general are requested to send to the chaplain in chief, Rev. J. King Gibson, 129 North Robert Boulevard, Dayton, Ohio, the name and address of their department chaplain, and to the national patriotic instructor, Henry B. Davidson, Springfield, Ill., the name and address of their department patriotic instructor.

XVII. Comrades are advised that requests for an opinion or an appeal from the decision of a department commander must be made to the commander in chief through department headquarters. The judge advocate general can render an opinion only to the commander in chief and requests sent to the judge advocate out of the regular channels will be returned.

XVIII. The commander in chief and the committee on legislation will endeavor to protect the rights of Civil War pensioners and if opportunity offers will try to have favorable legislation enacted.

XIX. The following resolutions were adopted:

1. Resolution of thanks and appreciation to the city of Rochester for its splendid entertainment.

2. Resolution recommending, especially to writers and teachers of history, that the War of 1861-65 shall be designated as the Civil War, so called by President Lincoln in his Gettysburg Address and affirmed by decision of the Supreme Court, and not called the War Between the States.

3. Resolution to petition Congress to enact legislation to provide for the compilation of a record of the name and burial place of every Union soldier of the Civil War, such record to be deposited with the adjutant general in Washington, D. C.

4. Resolution denouncing the teaching of communism and disloyalty to government in some private schools and the employment of teachers not unfavorable to the spread of this doctrine in public schools and pledging our aid in eradicating this evil.

5. Resolution calling attention to the independent offices bill passed by Congress, allowing \$200 a month to blind veterans of the World War, whether blindness was a result of service or not, no mention being made of veterans of the Civil War and asking Congress to amend the bill by adding the words "also Union veterans of the Civil War."

6. Resolution pledging the cooperation of the Grand Army of the Republic in helping to make the observance of Constitution Day this year an outstanding event.

7. Resolution that we express our faith in the ideals and institutions established by our fathers as proclaimed by our great Constitution, the admiration of statesmen throughout the world.

8. Resolution providing that we urge upon Congress the continuance of its policy of aid to our merchant marine in order that our national defense may not again be weakened by the withdrawal of American ships from the sea.

XX. The commander in chief wishes to visit as many department encampments as time and distance will permit and assistant adjutants general are asked to notify him immediately as to the location of department encampments and dates, if decided.

XXI. Department commanders and assistant adjutants general are reminded of the importance of forwarding their reports for the term ending

December 31, 1934, with per capita tax (2 cents a member), not later than February 1, 1935. Forms C and D for this purpose will be mailed to assistant adjutants general in December with the number of posts and members entered thereon, as last reported, and must be signed by the officers of the department and not by a secretary. Checks or money orders should be made payable to Samuel P. Town, quartermaster general, but must be sent with forms C and D to Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general, 110 Board of Education Building, Syracuse, N. Y.

XXII. Your commander in chief is deeply appreciative of the honor paid him by his comrades and asks for their assistance in making this administration most successful.

XXIII. The commander in chief and adjutant general wish for all their comrades and members of the auxiliary and allied orders all the happiness the coming holidays can bring them.

By command of—

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in chief.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General.*

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#### IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Louis F. Arensberg, past commander in chief, died at his home in Arensberg Ferry, Pa., September 20, 1934, aged 92 years. He enlisted in Hampton's Battery, August 11, 1862, in Pittsburgh, Pa., and was discharged May 17, 1865. After leaving the Army he studied medicine at the University of Michigan and practiced in Pittsburgh until his retirement a few years ago when he moved to Fayette Co., Pa.

Dr. Arensberg was commander of post No. 180, Uniontown, Pa., for several years and was elected department commander in 1916 and commander in chief in 1924. He had been treasurer of the permanent fund since 1927 and president of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania Soldiers and Sailors Home at Erie for many years. He had also served in the State legislature for two terms. He was a regular attendant at national encampments and we will miss him greatly.

Comrade David N. Foster, member of the executive committee of the National Council of Administration and past department commander of Indiana, died at his home in Ft. Wayne, Ind., September 13, 1934, aged 93 years. He enlisted May 27, 1861 in Company A, Ninth New York Militia, later designated as the Eighty-third New York Volunteer Infantry, and was mustered out December 11, 1863, on account of disability caused by wounds received at the Battle of Fredericksburg. Comrade Foster was elected commander of the Department of Indiana in 1885 and had been a member of the executive committee since 1926.

#### ALABAMA

Comrade James Ashworth, senior vice department commander, died in office, September 15, 1934. He was also a past department commander, having been elected in 1925, and served as musician in Company K, Fifty-first Massachusetts Infantry.

#### ILLINOIS

Comrade John N. Stewart, past junior vice department commander, elected in 1904, died June 19, 1934, aged 87 years. He served in the One Hundred and Fiftieth Ohio Infantry and in the Military Telegraph Service.

#### MASSACHUSETTS

Comrade Horace Goodwin, past department commander, elected in 1920, died August 7, 1934. He served on the U. S. S. *Anderson* in the United States Navy.

#### NEBRASKA

Comrade John H. Berger, elected senior vice department commander in 1931, died July 22, 1934, aged 89 years. He became department commander in



October 1931, following the death of Department Commander L. H. Ruppel. He enlisted September 12, 1862, in Company A, Seventy-fifth Illinois Infantry, was transferred to the Invalid Corps in June 1863, and was mustered out of the Veterans' Reserve Corps in August 1865.

Comrade Jonathan N. Fletcher, assistant adjutant general, died in office, September 27, 1934, aged 91 years. He enlisted January 29, 1862, in Company I, One Hundred and Third New York Infantry, and was discharged in February 1863 by reason of disability from sickness. He had been assistant adjutant general since 1930.

## TENNESSEE

Comrade M. F. Miller, past department commander, elected in 1925, died June 18, 1934. He was a member of the General Thomas Brigade and was with Sherman in his March to the Sea.

## GENERAL ORDERS

No. 3

SERIES OF 1934-35

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
110 Board of Education Building,  
Syracuse, N. Y., April 20, 1935.

I. The Sixty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Grand Rapids, Mich., September 8-14, 1935. The national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps will be located in the Pantlind Hotel.

II. The usual reduced rates will apply, and full information will be given in future general orders. Those to whom the reduced rate will apply are:

(a) Members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

(b) Wives and dependent members of the family of a member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

(c) Widows of deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

(d) Members and dependent members of the families of members of the following auxiliary and allied organizations holding conventions in connection with the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic:

(1) Woman's Relief Corp.

(2) Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

(3) Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(4) Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(5) Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(6) All Army nurses of the Civil War.

III. The Grand Rapids committee, with Mr. Edward H. Beecher as chairman and Mr. Ernest W. Neir as secretary, anticipate a splendid attendance. There will be ample hotel accommodations at reasonable rates. All requests for rooms and for all other information should be addressed to Mr. Ernest W. Neir, Convention Bureau, Grand Rapids, Mich.

IV. Comrade C. H. William Ruhe, Memorial Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa., has been appointed trustee and treasurer of the permanent fund, vice Comrade Louis F. Arensberg, deceased, to serve until the national encampment meets.

V. Comrade R. M. Rownd, Ripley, N. Y., has been appointed trustee of the permanent fund, vice Comrade Lewis S. Pilcher, deceased, to serve until the meeting of the national encampment.

VI. The following comrades having complied with the necessary requirements are hereby appointed aides de camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Boyer, C. N., Post 3, Sacramento.  
Brown, Barney, Post 181, Long Beach.  
Huntington, George, Post 181, Long Beach.  
Mingay, Henry M., Post 170, Tujunga.

Podrasnik, Alois, Post 124, Upland.  
Reed, David, Post 182, Whittier.  
Taylor, Robert N., Post 170, Glendale.  
Veatch, H. C., Post 96, Gridley.

## CONNECTICUT

Biddle, E. George, Post 18, Middletown.  
Lankton, Henry L., Post 66, Wethersfield.

Lyon, George, Post 75, Ansonia.  
Northrup, Homer F., Post 49, Waterbury.

## ILLINOIS

Ambrose, Thomas, Post 5, Chicago.  
 Andrew, John E., Post 96, Quincy.  
 Beam, Charles W., Post 5, Joliet.  
 Bean, W. W., Post 68, Streator.  
 Cantrell, J. R., Post 409, Tuscola.  
 Hodge, William N., Post 141, Decatur.  
 Myers, Milton H., Post 5, Park Ridge.

Nichols, Silas S., Post 374, Waukegan.  
 Perkins, Frank B., Post 49, Elgin.  
 Reed, Julius H., Post 5, Chicago.  
 Roberts, Alexander H., Post 128, Murphysboro.  
 Thomas, J. C., Post 5, Chicago.

## INDIANA

Graham, W. B., Post 55, New Paris, Ohio.  
 Lalley, P. H., Post 7, Crawfordsville.  
 May, I. N., Post 85, Ellettsville.  
 Murray, Daniel, Post 209, Indianapolis.

Rishel, John, Post 3, Lafayette.  
 Sharp, Isaac W., Post 114, Warsaw.  
 Whittinghill, William E., Post 42, Lebanon.  
 Wilmington, Oscar N., Post 17, Indianapolis.

## MASSACHUSETTS

Ely, E. G., Post 47, Haverhill.  
 Byrne, James C., Post 102, Milton.  
 Emery, William H., Post 26, Roxbury.  
 Fitts, Julius A., Post 117, Medfield.  
 King, William H., Post 168, Charlton.

O'Reilly, Francis J., Post 56, Cambridge.  
 Page, Dudley L., Post 42, Lowell.  
 Phinney, Prince A., Post 143, Brookline.  
 Sawyer, James A., Post 92, Brookline.  
 Staples, Charles F., Post 53, Leominster.

## NEW YORK

Barker, Thomas, Post 152, New York.  
 Barlow, Abel J., Post 119, Oneonta.  
 Barrow, W. M., Post a-1, Bluff Point.  
 Bauer, Joseph, Post 397, Rochester.  
 Buffum, John B., Post 506, East Aurora.  
 Carman, Ringgold W., Post 50, Flushing.  
 Edwards, Charles E., Post 151, Syracuse.  
 Eldredge, George C., Post 24, New York.  
 Griffin, Richard H., Post 493, Sherburne.  
 Hard, James A., Post 409, Rochester.  
 Hazelton, Wm. H., Post 156, Gouverneur.  
 Kent, J. C., Post 506, East Aurora.  
 Knapp, Robert F., Post 92, Saratoga Springs.  
 Knowlton John, Post 532, Toronto, Canada.  
 Le Baron, Smith, Post 350, Endicott.

Lester, Jacob, Post 30, Binghamton.  
 Mathews, F. A., Post 6, Horseheads.  
 Messenger, John H., Post 151, Syracuse.  
 Morgan, Albert, Post 394, New York.  
 Read, Josiah C., Post 607, New York.  
 Rownd, R. M., Post 285, Ripley.  
 Rowe, Nelson E., Post 30, Binghamton.  
 Secord, Warren D., Post 509, New Rochelle.  
 Turner, Frederick J., Post 159, Fair Haven.  
 Vincent, Calvin L., Post 6, Elmira.  
 Willard, Samuel L., Post 285, Jamestown.  
 Woodworth, Perry F., Post 164, Skaneateles.  
 Yorden, Menzo, Post 323, Black River.

## PENNSYLVANIA

Buchanan, John B., Sr., Post 2, Philadelphia.  
 Clark, David M., Post 100, Mt. Jackson.  
 Johns, H. H., Post 64, Williamsport.  
 Little, John, Post 157, Wilkinsburg.

Marshman, Charles B., Post 31, West Chester.  
 Rieb, Louis F., Post 162, Pittsburgh.  
 Shultz, John W., Post 2, Philadelphia.

## POTOMAC

Dorsey, William F., Post 2, Washington,  
 D. C.

## VERMONT

Lander, Peter, Post 2, Burlington, Vt.

## WISCONSIN

Bryant, W. P., Post 12, Milwaukee.  
 Ellison, John C., Post 223, Milwaukee.  
 Fisher, Henry W., Post 54, Beloit.  
 Goodman, H. P., Post 34, Whitewater.  
 Hambright, C. M., Post 1, Milwaukee.

Hart, John W., Post 58, La Crosse.  
 Held, Henry, Post 223, West Allis.  
 Lobdell, Howard S., Post 223, Milwaukee.  
 Moulton, C. F., Post 11, Madison.  
 Netherwood, C. W., Post 11, Madison.

By command of—

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General.*

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in Chief.*

## IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Lewis S. Pilcher, past commander-in-chief and trustee of the permanent fund, died at the home of his niece in Upper Montclair, N. J., December 24, 1934. He enlisted in February 1864 as hospital steward in the United States Colored Cavalry and was discharged in September 1865. In 1867 he was commissioned as an assistant surgeon in the United States Navy and resigned his commission at the close of 5 years' service. Dr. Pilcher was elected De-



partment commander of New York in 1918, surgeon general in 1914, and commander-in-chief in 1921. He was elected a trustee of the permanent fund in 1927 and served in this position until his death.

Dr. Pilcher occupied a high place in the medical profession, ranked as a most skillful surgeon, and held local, State, and national offices in both medical and surgical societies. For several years he had been editor of *Surgical Annals*, a magazine which he had founded.

Comrade Charles Burrows died at his home in Rutherford, N. J., March 17, 1935, aged 90 years. He enlisted in 1861 in the Fourteenth Massachusetts Infantry which later became the First Massachusetts Heavy Artillery. At the expiration of service he reenlisted in the First United States Veteran Volunteers under General Hancock and served until the close of the war. Comrade Burrows was elected department commander in 1874 and reelected in 1875. He was appointed quartermaster general in 1897, appointed again in 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, and 1904, and again in 1906 and 1907. He was elected senior vice commander-in-chief in 1910. He became totally blind in 1908 but was a frequent attendant at national encampment in spite of his handicap.

Comrade William M. Bostaph, department commander of California and Nevada, died in office April 8, 1935, aged 90 years. He served in Company F, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Infantry and was wounded at Fair Oaks, suffering a permanent paralysis of the right arm, but continued in the recruiting service until the close of the war. Comrade Bostaph joined the Grand Army of the Republic in 1881, was elected department commander of Utah in 1902, and senior vice commander-in-chief in 1909. He moved to California in 1920, where he became active in Grand Army affairs and was honored by election as department commander in May 1934. At the close of the war he moved to Missouri where he served as superintendent of schools in Gallatin and later as county clerk and was admitted to the bar. Later because of ill health he was obliged to spend most of his time out of doors and became a civil engineer, specializing for 30 years in hydraulic work in connection with irrigation and power-development projects in Utah, Idaho, and Wyoming.

#### CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Comrade Jesse Millikan died October 8, 1934, aged 89 years; elected senior vice department commander in 1933. Private, One Hundred and Thirty-Ninth Indiana Infantry.

Comrade John C. Chapman died November 27, 1934, aged 89 years; elected department commander 1930. Enlisted October 1, 1864, in the United States Navy, serving on U. S. S. *Clara Dolsen* as seaman and on U. S. S. *Ram Avenger* as signal quartermaster.

#### ALABAMA

Comrade Joseph Ashworth, senior vice department commander, died in office September 15, 1934; elected department commander in 1921. Musician, Company K, Fifth-First Massachusetts Infantry.

Comrade Henry M. Austin, assistant adjutant-general, died in office March 10, 1935; elected department commander in 1910.

#### CONNECTICUT

Comrade James Haggerty died November 25, 1934; elected department commander in 1929. Company H, Eighteenth Connecticut Infantry; held prisoner in Andersonville, Charleston, and Florence prisons, later joining his regiment and serving until close of the war.

#### DELAWARE

Comrade C. A. W. Frishmuth died November 21, 1934, aged 87 years; elected department commander in 1920. Enlisted June 18, 1863, in Company B, Twentieth Pennsylvania Infantry, and was discharged August 1, 1863.

Comrade George W. Weldin died March 23, 1935, aged 95 years; elected department commander in 1933. Enlisted November 6, 1862, as private in Company E, Fifth Delaware Infantry, and was discharged August 1, 1863.

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
 110 BOARD OF EDUCATION BUILDING,  
*Syracuse, N. Y., April 29, 1935.*

I. In accordance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, Thursday, May 30, will be observed as Memorial Day. For 67 years we have paid loving tribute to those who have served our country in its Army and Navy.

In history their work will remain;  
 All the deeds they have done  
 And victories won,  
 Will live in the archives of fame.

II. Let the flag under which they so bravely fought fly over each grave; place flowers on each mound and strew blossoms on the waters in memory of our sailor dead.

Now bring we sweet flowers, bring lilies and roses;  
 Bring evergreen wreaths and forget-me-nots blue.  
 Bring pansies for thoughts of dearly loved comrades,  
 Bring laurels for heroes so loyal and true.  
 Sad thots and sad memories are crowding each breast,  
 As we heap high the flowers, the beautiful flowers,  
 Where the silent Grand Army is lying at rest.

III. As provided by the forty-fifth national encampment, on Memorial Day flags should be placed at half-mast until 12 o'clock, noon, at which time bells shall be tolled for 5 minutes, during which time every comrade shall remain standing with uncovered head in tribute to his departed comrades.

IV. The national encampment has directed that General Logan's Memorial Day Order and President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address shall be read as a part of the public services on Memorial Day.

#### GENERAL LOGAN'S MEMORIAL DAY ORDER

GENERAL ORDER }  
 No. 11 }

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.*

I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains and their deaths a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of a free and undivided Republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of spring-time; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom



they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By command of—

JOHN A. LOGAN,  
*Commander in Chief.*

N. P. CHIPMAN,  
*Adjutant General.*

#### LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

V. Sunday, May 26, will be observed as Memorial Sunday. All posts are urged to attend Divine Service on that day and invite their auxiliary and allied organizations to accompany them.

VI. Post commanders, wherever possible, will detail comrades to visit the schools during the week preceding Memorial Day, at such time as the school authorities may designate. The children anticipate these visits and are interested in hearing from the veterans of the Civil War their stories of that great struggle.

VII. Department chaplains are requested to send their reports to the chaplain in chief, Rev. J. King Gibson, 129 N. Robert Boulevard, Dayton, Ohio, immediately after Memorial Day.

VIII. The second Sunday in May, for some years, has been dedicated to mothers. On Sunday, May 12, let us all wear a white carnation in memory of our mothers who were willing that their sons should offer themselves in defense of their country.

"Mother!" Was there ever a name like this?  
Will there ever be another?  
The angels of Heaven have reared a shrine  
To the beautiful name of Mother.

IX. Flag Day, Friday, June 14, should be observed by all posts, assisted by their auxiliary and allied orders and the public should be invited to participate, that they may feel as we do, that

There are many flags in many lands,  
And flags of many hues,  
But there's no flag in any land  
Like our own Red, White, and Blue.

By command of—

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in chief.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General.*

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 IN MEMORIAM

## FLORIDA

Comrade Charles E. Beach died November 21, 1934, aged 89 years; elected department commander of Vermont in 1908, transferred to Florida in 1926, and elected department commander in 1930. He served as inspector general in 1914. Enlisted September 18, 1862, Company A, Fourteenth Vermont Infantry, and was discharged July 18, 1862; reenlisted September 25, 1863, in Company I, Second New York Veteran Cavalry, and was discharged as commissary sergeant November 8, 1865.

## IDAHO

Comrade W. J. Neely died August 31, 1934, aged 93 years; elected department commander in 1927. Company B, Sixth West Virginia Infantry.

## ILLINOIS

Comrade John H. Cummings died August 26, 1934; elected junior vice department commander in 1931. Sixth Massachusetts Infantry and Company D, One hundred and thirty-sixth New York Infantry.

Comrade Almon T. Ives, senior vice department commander, died in office September 29, 1934. Enlisted September 29, 1862, in Sixty-seventh Illinois Infantry and reenlisted in Sixteenth Illinois Cavalry. Spent 16 months in Confederate prisons.

## INDIANA

Comrade John F. McKinley, department commander, died in office December 22, 1934, aged 90 years. Enlisted in Company A, Fifty-first Indiana Infantry December 14, 1861, and was mustered out December 13, 1865.

## KANSAS

Comrade O. T. Romig elected senior vice department commander in 1928.

## MAINE

Comrade Leroy T. Carleton died August 15, 1934, aged 87 years; elected department commander in 1897.

Comrade Nathaniel W. White died September 7, 1934; elected department commander in 1926.

## MASSACHUSETTS

Comrade Waldo Turner died March 4, 1935; elected department commander in 1931 and appointed assistant adjutant general in 1933. Enlisted as private August 8, 1862, in Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Infantry and mustered out as first sergeant June 9, 1865.

## MINNESOTA

Comrade Jacob Zuber died February 17, 1934, aged 89 years; elected department commander in 1927. Company F, One hundred and seventh Ohio Infantry.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

Comrade George F. Horne, department commander, died in office February 11, 1935.

## NEW JERSEY

Comrade John H. Conger died January 15, 1935, aged 88 years; elected department commander in 1930.

## PENNSYLVANIA

Comrade Louis B. Lomax, senior vice-department commander, died in office March 9, 1935, aged 85 years. Enlisted December 13, 1861, as musician in Company H, Twelfth United States Infantry and was discharged December 14, 1864. He reenlisted as musician in Company K, Fortieth New Jersey Infantry and again as musician in the Twelfth United States Infantry and was finally discharged October 15, 1868.



## RHODE ISLAND

Comrade Robert M. Pollard, elected department commander in 1926. Enlisted January 19, 1864 as corporal, Company F, Third Rhode Island Cavalry, taken prisoner, January 24, 1865, and later paroled and mustered out August 9, 1865.

Comrade Frederick A. Burt, assistant adjutant-general since 1921 died in office November 14, 1934; elected department commander in 1919. Enlisted August 23, 1863, as landsman in United States Navy, serving on U. S. S. *Ohio* and U. S. S. *Perry*.

## TENNESSEE

Comrade W. H. Nelson died February 18, 1935; elected department commander in 1898.

## WEST VIRGINIA

Comrade Perley Dinsmoor, elected department commander in 1927 and served several terms as assistant adjutant-general. Company F, One-Hundred and Forty-eighth Ohio Infantry.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 5 }  
SERIES OF 1934-35 }

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
110 BOARD OF EDUCATION BLDG.,  
*Syracuse, N. Y., August 5, 1935.*

I. As previously announced in general orders the Sixty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Grand Rapids, Mich., September 8-14, 1935.

II. National headquarters will be temporarily established in the Pantlind Hotel, Friday, September 6, 1935.

III. Complete program of meetings and entertainment may be secured from the local committee on arrival in Grand Rapids.

IV. The Grand Rapids committee is arranging for the comfort and entertainment of all attending the encampment. All requests for rooms and other information should be sent to Mr. E. H. Beecher, executive secretary, Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich.

V. *Railroad rates.*—The various passenger associations have granted a rate of one fare for the round trip, going and returning the same route—certificate plan. Tickets may be purchased providing for one route going and diverse route returning at one-half of the one-way fare applying via the route going plus one-way of the one-way fare applying via route used on the return trip; usually additional charge via indirect routes to apply. For detailed information consult your local ticket agent. Those to whom the reduced rate will apply are:

- (a) Members of the Grand Army of the Republic.
- (b) Wives and dependent members of the family of a member of the Grand Army of the Republic.
- (c) Widows of deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic.
- (d) Members and dependent members of the families of members of the following auxiliary and allied organizations holding conventions in connection with the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic:

- (1) Woman's Relief Corps.
- (2) Ladies of the G. A. R.
- (3) Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
- (4) Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
- (5) Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
- (6) All Army Nurses of the Civil War.

VI. *Dates of sales.*—In the New England Association; September 3-11, 1935. In the Trunk Lines and Central Passenger Associations Territories, September 3-11, 1935.

In the Southeastern Passenger Association, September 3-11, 1935.

In the Trans-Continental, Western and Southwestern Passenger Associations Territories: In Illinois, St. Louis, Mo.; Keokuk, Iowa; Hannibal, Mo.; Baton Rouge, La.; New Orleans, La.; Memphis, Tenn.; and Natchez, Miss, September 3-11.

In Arkansas, Colorado (Julesburg only), Iowa (except Keokuk), Kansas, Louisiana (except Baton Rouge and New Orleans), Minnesota, Missouri (except Hannibal and St. Louis), Nebraska, northern Michigan, and Wisconsin, September 2-10.

In Colorado (except Julesburg), New Mexico (east of and including El Paso and Albuquerque), North Dakota, Oklahoma, and South Dakota, September 1-9.

In Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico (west of Albuquerque and El Paso), Oregon, Utah, and Washington, August 31-September 9.

The final return limit on all tickets is November 1, 1935. Stopovers will be allowed at all stations within final limit on either going or returning trip, or both, on application to conductor.

*Form of ticket and validation.*—From Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico, northern Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, form of ticket will be signature, nontransferable, requiring validation at Grand Rapids.

From all other points, nonsignature, nontransferable, nonvalidation form of ticket.

VII. Special patriotic services will be held in all the churches in Grand Rapids, Sunday morning, September 8, to which all comrades and members of the auxiliary and allied orders are cordially invited.

VIII. The annual meeting of the Federated Patriotic Societies allied with the Grand Army of the Republic will be held Sunday, September 8 at 2:30 p. m. in the ballroom, Hotel Pantlind, following which the annual banquet will be held at 5:30 o'clock.

IX. Sunday evening, September 8, at 8 o'clock, the annual memorial service of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in the Civic Auditorium.

X. The following comrades are appointed a committee on credentials: Calvin A. Brainard, adjutant general, chairman; Darwin B. Wolcott, assistant adjutant general, department of California and Nevada; M. H. Davidson, assistant adjutant general, department of Kentucky; Joseph B. Henninger, assistant adjutant general, department of Indiana; E. T. Abbott, assistant adjutant general, department of Connecticut.

This committee will meet at national headquarters, mezzanine floor, Pantlind Hotel, Monday, September 9, at 10 a. m.

XI. Assistant adjutants general are requested to procure at national headquarters a copy of the roll prior to the meeting of the credentials committee for comparison with their credentials.

XII. The executive committee of the National Council of Administration will meet at national headquarters, Monday, September 9, at 1:30 p. m.

XIII. The National Council of Administration will meet at national headquarters, Monday, September 9, at 2:30 p. m.

XIV. Comrade Russell C. Martin, California and Nevada, Oley Nelson, Iowa, and Emmet F. Taggart, Ohio, members of the National Council of Administration, will audit the books of the quartermaster general and report to the Council of Administration at its meeting on Monday.

XV. Aides de camp on the staff of the commander in chief will report to the chief of staff and senior aide de camp at national headquarters, Monday, September 9, at 3:30 p. m.

XVI. Department commanders, or their detailed representatives, will report to the chief of staff at national headquarters, Monday, September 9, 4 p. m. for instructions regarding the parade.

XVII. The semiofficial meeting of the encampment will be held Monday evening, September 9, at 8 o'clock, in the Civic Auditorium.

XVIII. Tuesday evening, September 10, at 8:30 p. m., the commander in chief and staff will be tendered a reception in the ballroom, Pantlind Hotel.

XIX. Wednesday, September 11, the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place at 10 a. m. The route and formation of the parade will be announced in General Orders No. 6.

XX. Comrade John Little, Pennsylvania, is appointed headquarters color bearer. National and naval color bearers will be appointed in General Orders No. 6.

XXI. The first business session of the sixty-ninth national encampment will convene in the ballroom of the Pantlind Hotel, Wednesday, September 11, at 2:30 p. m. The second business session will convene at 9:30 a. m., Thursday, September 12.



XXII. Wednesday evening, September 11, at 8 o'clock, a campfire will be held in the Civic Auditorium.

XXIII. Comrade C. P. Lomax, Lincoln, Nebr., has been appointed national patriotic instructor, vice Henry B. Davidson, deceased.

XXIV. Comrade John H. Hoffman, Ligonier, Ind., is appointed a member of the executive committee, vice Joseph A. Goodrich, deceased.

XXV. The commander of the department of New Jersey, having appointed Comrade William H. Bilbee, Trenton, N. J., a member of the national council of administration, vice Comrade Joseph A. Goodrich, deceased, the appointment is hereby confirmed.

XXVI. Comrade Joseph Bauer, Sr., New York, is appointed officer of the day for the national encampment.

XXVII. The following comrades are appointed to prepare resolutions:

On the death of National Patriotic Instructor Henry B. Davidson: James C. Thomas, Illinois; A. C. Estabrook, Michigan; Henry Held, Wisconsin.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Louis F. Arensberg: Samuel P. Town, Pennsylvania; James W. Willett, Iowa; Charles E. Nason, Maine.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher: Samuel R. Van Sant, Minnesota; Edwin J. Foster, Massachusetts; Edward Hurley, New York.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief John Reese: James E. Jewel, Colorado and Wyoming; C. H. Kinney, Nebraska; Edwin H. Lincoln, Massachusetts.

XXVIII. Department commanders will report to the adjutant general not later than 10 p. m., Tuesday, September 10, the department nominations for national council of administration and committee on resolutions.

XXIX. The national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and its auxiliary and allied orders will be located in Grand Rapids as follows:

Pantlind Hotel: Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps.

Morton Hotel: Ladies of the G. A. R., Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Rowe Hotel: Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

XXX. Department officers are reminded that the rules and regulations do not allow the appointment of anyone not a member of the order to hold the funds of a post or a department, nor can they sign checks on Grand Army accounts. The funds must be held by the post quartermaster or the assistant quartermaster general and only such officers can legally sign checks for payment of post or department funds for any purpose. Department commanders are directed to see that the rules and regulations are obeyed.

XXXI. The following comrades, having complied with the necessary requirements, are hereby appointed aides-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

#### CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Beach, Jay, Post 2, Berkeley.  
Blanchard, Calvin H., Post 8, Oakland.  
Conant, Almaron W., Post 20, Santa Rosa.  
Crandell, William, Post 131, Yorba Linda.  
Hall, George W., Post 138, Orange.  
Honer, Joseph, Post 88, Berkeley.

Lawrence, William H., Post 82, San Jose.  
Mennett, Overton H., Post 55, Los Angeles.  
Mullen, John M., Post 19, Chico.  
Robinson, E. G., Post 7, San Jose.  
Yeager, W. F., Post 92, Fresno.

#### NEW YORK

Griffiths, Edward M., Post 29, New York.

Hurley, Edward, Post 9, Buffalo.

#### OHIO

Bigbee, Royal C., Post 71, Newark.  
Miller, Richard C., Post 141, Cleveland.

Trimmer, George W., Post 156, Circleville.

#### WISCONSIN

Bigford, Royal, Post 130, Fond du Lac.  
Sheerin, Thaddeus, Neenah.

Wheeler, W. H., Post 54, Beloit.

By command of—

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in Chief.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General.*

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IN MEMORIAM

Comrade Henry B. Davidson, national patriotic instructor, died in office, May 13, 1935. Comrade Davidson enlisted January 15, 1862, in the Twelfth Illinois Cavalry and served with that regiment until his discharge May 29, 1866. He was commander of Post No. 30, Springfield, for many years, was appointed adjutant general by Commander in Chief John B. Inman in 1925, and was elected department commander of Illinois in 1929. At the time of his death Comrade Davidson was serving his second term as national patriotic instructor, having been appointed to that office by Commander in Chief William P. Wright in 1932. He had not missed attendance at national encampments for several years.

Comrade John Reese, past commander in chief, died in Pershing Hospital, Grand Island, Nebr., July 5, 1935, aged 89 years. He enlisted in Company A, one Hundred and Thirteenth Ohio Infantry, October 10, 1862, and was discharged July 8, 1863. After the war he went to Broken Row, Nebr., where he practiced law, was elected judge of the circuit court and for 14 years was registrar of the land office. He was elected department commander of Nebraska in 1900, junior vice commander in chief in 1924, and commander in chief in 1928. He had also served as judge advocate general by appointment of Commanders in Chief Elbridge L. Hawk in 1927 and Samuel P. Town, in 1931. Comrade Reese will be missed at national encampments.

## CONNECTICUT

Comrade George T. Meech, elected department commander in 1919, died July 19, aged 91 years; enlisted August 14, 1862, in Company C, Twenty-first Connecticut Infantry, and was discharged June 3, 1865.

## ILLINOIS

Comrade David H. Harper, elected department commander in 1927, died May 29, 1935; enlisted February 26, 1863, in Company D, Thirteenth West Virginia Infantry, in which regiment his father was chaplain, and was discharged December 6, 1864.

## INDIANA

Comrade Jasper N. Callicott, elected department commander in 1933, died February 17, 1935; served in Company B, Ninth Indiana Infantry, and Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Indiana Infantry.

## IOWA

Comrade E. J. Stonebraker, elected department commander in 1926, died July 15, 1935, aged 87 years; enlisted in 1864 in Company E, Forty-sixth Illinois Infantry, and served until close of the war.

## KANSAS

Comrade William W. Denison, elected department commander in 1922, died July 3, 1935, aged 88 years; enlisted in 1861 in Company I, Eleventh Kansas Infantry, and was discharged late in 1865, after his regiment had been engaged for a month in skirmishes with the Indians in Wyoming. Comrade Denison served several years as assistant adjutant general of Kansas.

## MAINE

Comrade Albert R. Hill, elected department commander in 1925, died January 18, 1935, aged 90 years; served with his father in the Twenty-third Maine Infantry.

## MONTANA

Comrade John Marchion, member of the national council of administration, elected department commander in 1918, died June 20, aged 91 years; served two enlistments in the Ninth Wisconsin Infantry.

Comrade Solomon Niles, department commander, elected in 1933, and re-elected in 1934, died in office February 15, 1935; served in Company K, Third Vermont Infantry.



Comrade Simon Hauswirth, elected department commander in 1917, died January 4, 1935, aged 90 years; served in Company C, Thirty-fifth Wisconsin Infantry.

Comrade J. Perry McClain, elected department commander in 1919, died January 29, 1935; served in Company L, Second Nebraska Cavalry.

Comrade W. B. Harlan, elected department commander in 1923, died March 25, 1935; aged 90 years; served in Company G, Fourteenth Iowa Infantry.

Comrade J. M. Weiss, elected senior vice department commander in 1933, died February 10, 1935, aged 90 years; served in Company B, Forty-eighth New York Infantry.

## NEBRASKA

Comrade George Johnson, elected department commander in 1934, died May 29, 1935, aged 91 years; enlisted August 27, 1861, in Company D, Forty-eighth Illinois Infantry, reenlisted in 1864 and was discharged as corporal, August 15, 1865.

Comrade William Balfour, elected junior vice department commander in 1928, died April 4, 1935, aged 90 years; served in Company I, Forty-fifth Illinois Infantry, under his father as first lieutenant.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

Comrade James R. Ashton, department commander, died in office, May 12, 1935; enlisted November 1863 in Seventeenth Illinois Cavalry and was discharged December 1865.

Comrade Henry M. Sanborn, junior vice department commander, died in office April 18, 1935; enlisted August 21, 1862, in Company H, Fourteenth New Hampshire Infantry, and was discharged July 8, 1865.

## NEW JERSEY

Comrade William A. Buckbee, elected department commander in 1931, died April 16, 1935, aged 93 years.

Comrade Joseph H. Goodrich, member of the national council of administration and elected department commander in 1926, died July 1, 1935, aged 88 years. He enlisted in 1862 in the United States Navy and served 3 years as gunner's mate.

## NEW YORK

Comrade Isaac Greyston, junior vice department commander, died in office, January 18, 1935; enlisted January 14, 1865, in Company I, Tenth New York Cavalry, was transferred June 24, 1865, to First Provisional Cavalry and was discharged July 19, 1865.

Comrade Frank P. Frost, elected junior vice department commander in 1928, died November 4, 1934; enlisted July 1862 in Company D, One Hundred and Seventh New York Infantry as sergeant and was discharged in June 1865 as first lieutenant.

Comrade Charles E. Edwards, elected junior vice department commander in 1933, died June 3, 1935, aged 89 years; served in Company E, One Hundred and Eleventh New York Infantry.

## OHIO

Comrade Elijah T. Dunn, elected senior vice department commander in 1900, died August 24, 1934, aged 94 years; enlisted in Company G, Twenty-first Ohio.

Comrade Orin A. Marvin, elected department commander in 1933, died March 25, 1935, aged 89 years; served in Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Ohio Infantry, from 1863 to 1865.

Comrade John H. King, elected senior vice department commander in 1929, died March 16, 1935, aged 91 years; enlisted May 2, 1864, in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-third Ohio Infantry, and was mustered out as corporal at the close of the war.

## TENNESSEE

Comrade Benjamin J. Meadows, elected department commander in 1931, died May 5, 1935, aged 88 years; enlisted in 1861 in the Twenty-ninth Iowa Infantry and was discharged in 1865.



## WEST VIRGINIA

Comrade Joseph T. McCombs, elected department commander in 1929, died June 3, 1935.

## WISCONSIN

Comrade John A. Bigley, senior vice department commander, died in office May 14, 1935, aged 92 years; enlisted in 1861 in Eighty-first Pennsylvania Infantry, later transferred to the Cavalry and the Battle of Gettysburg to the Field Artillery.

Comrade George W. Spratt, elected department commander in 1912, died August 31, 1934, aged 90 years; enlisted February 4, 1865, in Company F, Forty-eighth Wisconsin Infantry and was discharged February 9, 1866.

Comrade John C. Martin, elected department commander in 1907, died May 11, 1935, aged 89 years; served in First Wisconsin Heavy Artillery.

GENERAL ORDERS  
No. 6  
SERIES 1934-35

TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
PANTLIND HOTEL,

*Grand Rapids, Mich., September 6, 1935.*

I. As previously announced in General Orders No. 5, the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place in Grand Rapids, Mich., Wednesday, September 11, at 10 a. m.

II. The parade will be organized by departments, each department under the command of the senior officer of the department present at the encampment. Departments will be assigned to a position in line in order of seniority of date of charter and will form in column of four files front. Each department will promptly take up the line of march as uncovered. Distance between departments will be 60 feet, between posts 20 feet, and between files 6 feet.

III. The departments will assemble in the auditorium of the Ladies' Literary Club, on Sheldon Street promptly at 9 a. m. and will move at 10 a. m. sharp.

IV. The formation of the parade will be reported to the commander in chief at 9:45 a. m. by Maj. Mallory M. Kincaid, chairman of parade committee.

V. A preparatory signal will be given at 9:30 a. m. The signal to start will be given at 10 a. m.

VI. Department commanders will carefully oversee the formation of their respective departments and on the march will maintain a distance of 60 feet between the departments. Markers designating the place of formation of each department will be placed in the auditorium of the Ladies' Literary Club. The guide will be right throughout the march.

VII. Department commanders must not leave the column after passing the reviewing stand, but will continue with their respective departments to the point of dismissal of the column.

VIII. In passing the reviewing stand colors will not be dipped. Officers with sidearms will give the officer salute with sword. Officers without sidearms will salute by touching the right hand to the brim of the hat and looking toward the reviewing officer. Comrades in ranks will not salute but will look toward the reviewing officer.

IX. Bands and drum corps will take the time of the preceding musical organization so that the marching column may maintain the same step. All bands will stop playing at Ionia Street and will start playing at Ottawa Street and will continue playing the entire length of the grand stands.

X. The march will be in common time, the cadence 90 steps to the minute. Bands marching in close proximity will alternate in playing.

XI. The commander in chief will review the column at the reviewing stand on Monroe Street.

XII. It is desired that every member of the Grand Army of the Republic present in Grand Rapids will make an effort to participate in the parade, whether he is in uniform or not, but it is hoped that all will try to appear in the regulation uniform of the order.

XIII. Women, children, and civilians (except bands and drum corps) will be prohibited from participating in the parade and department commanders are directed to enforce this order in their respective departments.

XIV. No flags or standards except the national, State and post flags and standards will be allowed in the parade. Regimental flags and banners will



not be allowed. No flags will be allowed in the parade except those flying from the staff.

XV. All caricatures, impersonations of Lincoln or Uncle Sam or other characters, and undignified exhibitions of any kind will be excluded from the parade.

XVI. National officers and past commanders in chief will ride in autos at the head of the column. Autos will not be allowed in the parade in or between departments. Autos will be furnished for comrades who are unable to march and these autos will be found at the civic auditorium.

XVII. When the column reaches the reviewing stand the commander in chief, national officers, and past commanders in chief will leave the parade and take their places on the stand.

XVIII. National officers, members of the executive committee, and past commanders in chief will report to the senior aide-de-camp, Comrade John C. Mullins, at the national headquarters, Pantlind Hotel, at 9 a. m., for assignment to autos.

XIX. Department commanders will report to the senior aide-de-camp, Comrade John C. Mullins, at national headquarters, Pantlind Hotel, Monday, September 9, at 4 p. m., for instructions regarding the parade.

XX. The line of march will be about three-quarters of a mile, as follows: Starting on Sheldon Street south of Fulton Street, north on Sheldon Street to Fulton Street, thence on Fulton Street to Monroe Street, to Huron Street and disband at the civic auditorium.

XXI. The line of march will form as follows:

Platoon of motorcycle police will form on Sheldon Street south of Fulton Street.

One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry Band will form on Sheldon Street, right resting on left of platoon of police.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Frank L. Kirchgassner, commander in chief, will form on Sheldon Street, right resting on left of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Infantry Band.

Civil War musicians will form on north side of Weston Street, right resting on Sheldon Street.

Commander in chief, national officers, members of executive committee and past commanders in chief in autos, in the order named, will form on the south side of Weston Street, right resting on Sheldon Street.

The departments will form in the auditorium of the Ladies' Literary Club as indicated by department standards and will march in order of seniority as follows:

1. Department of Illinois, Thomas Ambrose, commander.
2. Department of Wisconsin, Charles M. Hambright, commander.
3. Department of Pennsylvania, Geo. W. Gillett, commander.
4. Department of Ohio, Henry F. Russell, commander.
5. Department of New York, R. M. Rownd, commander.
6. Department of Connecticut, Casper D. Wallace, commander.
7. Department of Massachusetts, George W. Green, commander.
8. Department of New Jersey, Wm. H. McCoy, commander.
9. Department of Maine, Joseph W. Lake, commander.
10. Department of California and Nevada, Geo. N. Lockwood, commander.
11. Department of Rhode Island, Martin S. Smith, commander.
12. Department of New Hampshire, Frank E. Amadon, commander.
13. Department of Vermont, Harvey S. Powers, commander.
14. Department of Potomac, John M. Kline, commander.
15. Department of Virginia and North Carolina, Cornelius Garner, commander.
16. Department of Maryland, George T. Leech, commander.
17. Department of Nebraska, C. H. Kinney, commander.
19. Department of Iowa, J. C. Hanes, commander.
20. Department of Indiana, Edward McClelland, commander.
21. Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Tobias Mattox, commander.
22. Department of Kansas, A. O. Gere, commander.
23. Department of Delaware, Lewis Morse, commander.
24. Department of Minnesota, M. Mullen, commander.
25. Department of Missouri, Perry Martin, commander.
26. Department of Oregon, H. V. Gates, commander.
27. Department of Kentucky, Charles L. Dudley, commander.

28. Department of West Virginia, Wm. M. Smith, commander.
29. Department of South Dakota, W. A. Drake, commander.
30. Department of Washington and Alaska, D. L. Crossen, commander.
31. Department of Arkansas, W. B. Brown, commander.
33. Department of Utah, Ira Stormes, commander.
34. Department of Tennessee, F. M. Underwood, commander.
35. Department of Louisiana and Mississippi, William Rochester, commander.
36. Department of Florida, D. S. Hunter, commander.
37. Department of Montana, J. E. Kanouse, commander.
38. Department of Texas, John Shearer, commander.
39. Department of Idaho, Frank Williams, commander.
42. Department of Alabama, Thomas Barr, commander.
43. Department of North Dakota, J. W. Carroll, commander.
44. Department of Oklahoma, N. D. McGinley, commander.
18. Department of Michigan, Ira M. Stewart, commander.

Disabled Veterans in automobiles will form on Sheldon Street, south of Oakes Street.

By command of—

ALFRED E. STACEY,  
*Commander in Chief.*

CALVIN A. BRAINARD,  
*Adjutant General.*



# In Memoriam









LEWIS S. PILCHER  
PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF



LOUIS F. ARENSBERG  
PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF





JOHN REESE  
PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF



HENRY B. DAVIDSON  
NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR



# In Memoriam

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## LEWIS STEPHEN PILCHER

PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF

Truly one more of our dear old comrades has been called to meet with the 2 million gone on before. To have known Comrade Pilcher was to love him. His neighbors in New York City and New Jersey, who knew him through the long years of his residence there as a physician and a comrade, cherished his friendship and now honor his memory.

In 1916 Dr. Pilcher completed his 50 years of labor in the profession of medicine.

In his versatile attainment as a soldier, surgeon, teacher, author, and editor, he received not only national but international recognition.

Comrade Pilcher was blest with a dear wife, a daughter, and three sons, but his last years brought sorrow to him through the passing over of his wife and daughter and one son. Through the journey of life the loving wife had been by his side, ever kind and thoughtful of others.

Ever the friend of man, long may his name remain green in the memory of his comrades.

The stately ship sails on,  
To its haven under the hill,  
O for the touch of a vanished hand  
And the sound of a voice that is still.

SAMUEL R. VAN SANT,  
EDWIN J. FOSTER,  
EDWARD HURLEY.

# In Memoriam

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## LOUIS F. ARENSBERG

### PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF

Dr. Arensberg was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1842, and died at his home in Arensberg Ferry, Pa., September 20, 1934. He enlisted in Hampton Battery August 11, 1862, and was discharged May 17, 1865.

After his discharge he studied medicine at the Michigan University and practiced as a physician in Pittsburgh until his health failed, when he removed to Fayette County.

Dr. Arensberg was president of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, located in Erie, Pa., for many years, and was elected a member of the State legislature for two terms.

Dr. Arensberg was commander of Post No. 180, Uniontown, Pa., for many years, and was elected department commander in 1916 and commander in chief in 1924. He was well known in every department and his presence will be missed in future encampments.

He was treasurer of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic at the time of his death.

SAMUEL P. TOWN, *Pennsylvania.*

JAMES W. WILLETT, *Iowa.*

CHARLES E. NASON, *Maine.*



# In Memoriam

## JOHN REESE

### PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF

John Reese was born in Clark County, Ohio, December 23, 1845. As a boy he worked on a farm in summer and attended public school in winter. Later he attended school in Springfield, Ohio. He was a wool worker when he entered the Army. He enlisted in Company A, One Hundred and Thirteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, August 22, 1862, and was discharged July 9, 1863, for disability.

He studied law in Bellefontaine, Ohio, and was admitted to the bar at that place in 1880. In 1904 he was admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court. Until the time of his death he was still a practicing attorney.

Comrade Reese came to Calloway, Nebr., in 1886. One year later he removed to Broken Bow, Custer County, Nebr., where he spent the remainder of his long life. He served as county judge one term, and for 18 years served in the Federal land office at Broken Bow.

He was married in 1867, and three daughters were born to this union, one of whom, Mrs. Dora Robinson, of Yakima, Wash., survives. He leaves 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

On February 20, 1917, he was married in Beatrice, Nebr., to Etta Brooks, daughter of Capt. Joseph Brooks, who has been his constant companion and comrade through the years until his death.

He was one of the organizers of C. C. Washburn Post, Grand Army of the Republic, at Broken Bow, Nebr., and filled all the offices in the Grand Army of the Republic from post commander to commander in chief. He was elected commander of the Nebraska Department in 1900; junior vice commander in chief in 1924; commander in chief in 1928; and was appointed judge advocate general in 1932. In all cases he proved himself a worthy and efficient officer. Judge Reese was of a modest and retiring character, faithful in all his callings, a well-beloved comrade, a good soldier and citizen. Let us emulate his good qualities.

JAMES E. JEWEL,  
C. H. KINNEY,  
EDWIN H. LINCOLN,  
*Committee.*

# In Memoriam

## HENRY BLAIR DAVIDSON

### NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Henry Blair Davidson was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, December 10, 1843. When 7 years of age he was brought to this country to the new family home near Virginia, Cass County, Ill.

He enlisted January 15, 1862, in the Twelfth Illinois Cavalry, and served with that regiment both before and after its reorganization and consolidation in March 1865, until final mustering out May 29, 1866, covering a period of 4 years, 4 months, and 14 days. This regiment was called upon for great activity in the East, West, and South and its important services were recognized by the War Department in special orders.

Comrade Davidson was commander of Stephenson Post No. 30, at Springfield, for many years, and was elected commander of the Illinois Department, Grand Army of the Republic, in 1929. He served as adjutant general under Commander in Chief John B. Inman, and at the time of his death, May 13, 1935, he was serving a second time as national patriotic instructor.

He was active in civil life, serving for a long time as secretary of the board of education in Springfield, and for 4 years was commissioner of public health and safety. He possessed a most generous and kindly nature, and was always the consistent champion of right and justice. This endeared him greatly to all those with whom he came in contact. His was the true patriotism that covered loyal and constructive citizenship, whether in days of war or days of peace. Truly "He was devoted to the flag which he served. To him that flag was the symbol of all that is good and true in our local and national life. He lived in constant conformity with the ideals which the Stars and Stripes represented to him."

JAMES C. THOMAS,  
A. C. ESTABROOK,  
CAPT. HENRY HELD.



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA

## COMRADE JAMES ASHWORTH

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE;  
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1921  
MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 15, 1934

## COMRADE HENRY M. AUSTIN

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL—DIED IN OFFICE; DEPARTMENT  
COMMANDER, 1910  
MUSTERED OUT MARCH 10, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

## COMRADE WILLIAM M. BOSTAPH

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE; DEPARTMENT COM-  
MANDER OF UTAH, 1902; SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF,  
1909  
MUSTERED OUT APRIL 8, 1935

## COMRADE JESSE H. MILLIKAN

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933  
MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 8, 1934

## COMRADE JOHN C. CHAPMAN

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1930  
MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 27, 1934

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DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

## COMRADE JAMES HAGGERTY

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1929  
MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 25, 1934

## COMRADE GEORGE T. MEECH

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1919  
MUSTERED OUT JULY 19, 1935

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF DELAWARE

## COMRADE C. A. W. FRISHMUTH

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1920

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 21, 1934

## COMRADE GEORGE W. WELDIN

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 23, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA

## COMRADE CHARLES E. BEACH

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1930; DEPARTMENT COMMANDER OF  
VERMONT, 1908; INSPECTOR GENERAL, 1914

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 21, 1934

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DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO

## COMRADE W. J. NEELY

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1927

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 31, 1934

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DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS

## COMRADE JOHN N. STEWART

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1904

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 19, 1934

## COMRADE JOHN H. CUMMINGS

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1931

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 26, 1934



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS—Continued

## COMRADE ALMON T. IVES

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE  
MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 29, 1934

## COMRADE DAVID H. HARPER

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1927  
MUSTERED OUT MAY 29, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

## COMRADE DAVID N. FOSTER

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—DIED IN OFFICE;  
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1885  
MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 13, 1934

## COMRADE JOHN F. McKINLEY

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE  
MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 22, 1934

## COMRADE JASPER N. CALLICOTT

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933  
MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 17, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF IOWA

## COMRADE E. J. STONEBRAKER

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1926  
MUSTERED OUT JULY 15, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS

## COMRADE WILLIAM W. DENISON

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1922  
MUSTERED OUT JULY 3, 1935

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

## COMRADE LEROY T. CARLETON

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1897  
MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 15, 1934

## COMRADE NATHANIEL W. WHITE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1926  
MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 7, 1934

## COMRADE ALBERT R. HILL

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1925  
MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 18, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

## COMRADE HORACE GOODWIN

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1920  
MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 7, 1934

## COMRADE WALDO TURNER

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1931  
MUSTERED OUT MARCH 4, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA

## COMRADE JACOB ZUBER

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1927  
MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 17, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF MONTANA

## COMRADE SIMON HAUSWIRTH

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1917  
MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 4, 1935

## COMRADE J. PERRY McCLAIN

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1919  
MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 29, 1935



# In Memoriam

DEPARTMENT OF MONTANA—Continued

## COMRADE J. M. WEISS

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 10, 1935

## COMRADE SOLOMON NILES

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 15, 1935

## COMRADE W. B. HARLAN

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1923

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 25, 1935

## COMRADE JOHN MARCHION

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—DIED IN OFFICE;

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1918

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 20, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA

## COMRADE JOHN H. BERGER

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1931

MUSTERED OUT JULY 22, 1934

## COMRADE JONATHAN N. FLETCHER

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 27, 1934

## COMRADE GEORGE JOHNSON

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1934

MUSTERED OUT MAY 29, 1935

## COMRADE WILLIAM BALFOUR

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1928

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 4, 1935

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**COMRADE GEORGE F. HORNE**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 11, 1935

**COMRADE JAMES R. ASHTON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT MAY 12, 1935

**COMRADE HENRY M. SANBORN**

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 18, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY

**COMRADE JOHN H. CONGER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1930

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 15, 1935

**COMRADE CHARLES BURROWS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1874; QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL, 1897,

1901-5, 1906-8; SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, 1910

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 17, 1935

**COMRADE WILLIAM A. BUCKBEE**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1931

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 16, 1935

**COMRADE JOSEPH H. GOODRICH**

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—DIED IN OFFICE;

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1926

MUSTERED OUT JULY 1, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

**COMRADE FRANK P. FROST**

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1928

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 4, 1934



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK—Continued

## COMRADE ISAAC GREYSTON

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 18, 1935

## COMRADE CHARLES O. EDWARDS

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 3, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF NORTH DAKOTA

## COMRADE SMITH STIMMEL

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1922 ; NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,  
1920, 1926

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 14, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

## COMRADE ELIJAH T. DUNN

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1900

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 24, 1934

## COMRADE JOHN H. KING

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1929

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 16, 1935

## COMRADE ORIN A. MARVIN

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 25, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA

## COMRADE LOUIS B. LOMAX

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 9, 1935

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND  
**COMRADE ROBERT M. POLLARD**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1926

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 19, 1934

**COMRADE FREDERICK A. BURT**

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL, 1921-34—DIED IN OFFICE;

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1919

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 14, 1934

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DEPARTMENT OF TENNESSEE  
**COMRADE M. F. MILLER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1925

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 18, 1934

**COMRADE W. H. NELSON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1935

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 18, 1935

**COMRADE BENJAMIN T. MEADOWS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1931

MUSTERED OUT MAY 5, 1935

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DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA  
**COMRADE JOSEPH T. McCOMBS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1929

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 3, 1935

**COMRADE PERLEY DUNSMOOR**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1927

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 26, 1934



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN  
**COMRADE GEORGE W. SPRATT**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1912

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 31, 1934

**COMRADE JOHN C. MARTIN**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1907

MUSTERED OUT MAY 11, 1935

**COMRADE JOHN A. BIGLEY**

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT MAY 14, 1935





# COMPLETE ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

FOUNDED BY DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, AT DECATUR, ILL.,  
APRIL 6, 1866

BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois  
*First commander in chief*

ROBERT MANN WOOD, Illinois  
*First adjutant general*

JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois  
*First quartermaster general*

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

## FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., NOVEMBER 20, 1866

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	STEPHEN A. HURLBURT, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES B. MCKEAN, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	D. C. MCNEIL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	AUGUST WILlich, Ohio.

## SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JANUARY 15, 1868

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
<i>Inspector general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.

## THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 12, 13, 1869

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEX, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers now appointed.

**FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
MAY 11, 12, 1870**

Headquarters established in Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

**FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
MAY 10, 11, 1871**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO,  
MAY 8, 9, 1872**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN.,  
MAY 14, 15, 1873**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. GOBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.



### EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODEURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i> -----	{ W. F. ROGERS, New York. <sup>2</sup>
	{ MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I., JUNE 26, 27, 1877

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

<sup>2</sup> Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.

**TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.,  
JUNE 4, 1878**

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

**THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y.,  
JUNE 17, 18, 1879**

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership 44,752.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

**FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO,  
JUNE 8, 9, 1880**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
JUNE 15, 16, 1881**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.



**SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD.,  
JUNE 21-23, 1882**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 134,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. E. W. ROSS, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

**SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.  
JUNE 25, 26, 1883**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM VANDEVER, Iowa.

**EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,  
JUNE 23-25, 1884**

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE,  
JUNE 24, 25, 1885**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SELDON CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.

**TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,  
AUGUST 4-6, 1886**

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

**TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO.,  
SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1887**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZY, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888**

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

**TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
AUGUST 28-30, 1889**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. LOVETT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.



**TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 13, 14, 1890**

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 409,489.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RICHARD F. TOBIN, <sup>3</sup> Massachusetts. GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	
<i>Chaplain in Chief</i> -----	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	REV. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,  
AUGUST 5-7, 1891**

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRED. PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.

**TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 1892**

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspcctor general</i> -----	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1893**

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. G. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1894**

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership, 369,083.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS G. LAWLOR, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. H. HAGGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspection general</i> -----	C. V. R POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	MATT H. ELLIS, New York.

**TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY.,  
SEPTEMBER 11-13, 1895**

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS C. ILIFF, Utah.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspection general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

**THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN.,  
SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1896**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspection general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

**THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y.,  
AUGUST 25-27, 1897**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED LYTH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspection general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.



### THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES A. SEXTON, <sup>3</sup> Illinois.
	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
	{ DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA. SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., AUGUST 29, 30, 1900

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

### THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN McELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

### THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. B. SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

### THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., AUGUST 20, 21, 1903

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRY C. KESSLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE A. HARMAN, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ERWIN B. MESSER, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

### THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 17, 18, 1904

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts. JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> ----	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. GEOGRE W. PATTEN, Tennessee.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> ----	{ GEOGRE W. PATTEN, Tennessee. E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocates general</i> -----	{ AMOS M. THAYER, <sup>3</sup> Missouri. OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

### THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1905

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.



**FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,  
AUGUST 16, 17, 1906**

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership, 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector General</i> -----	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

**FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907**

Headquarters established Kansas City. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge adrocate general</i> -----	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

**FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER, 3, 4, 1908**

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

**FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,  
AUGUST 12, 13, 1909**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.,  
SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

**FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y.,  
AUGUST 24, 25, 1911**

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN H. McCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.,  
SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912**

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

**FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.,  
SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, <sup>4</sup> Maine.
	{ A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.



### FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, <sup>3</sup> Michigan. W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas. OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. ORVILLE J. NAVE, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

### FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,853.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LE VANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Mary- land.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DR. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

### FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 140,074.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES H. HASKINS, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RALZEMOND A. PARKER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 20-25, 1917**

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. D.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.

**FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG.,  
AUGUST 18-24, 1918**

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CLARENDON E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHAS. H. HABER, National Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

**FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919**

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio. Membership, 110,357.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES D. BELL, <sup>3</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y. DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio. CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif. ISADORE ISAACS, New York City.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ ISADORE ISAACS, New York, N. Y. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



### FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1920

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 103,258.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> ----	GEORGE A. HOSLEY, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> ----	J. E. GANDY, Spokane, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	MAHLON D. BUTLER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National Patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

### FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 25-29, 1921

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership, 93,171.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS S. PILCHER, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> ----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> ----	HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE B. SMITH, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM C. PECKHAM, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge Advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	RICHARD A. SARLE, San Francisco, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

### FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 24-29, 1922

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 85,621.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> ----	C. S. BRODBENT, San Antonio, Tex.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> ----	GEORGE TRYON HARDING, M. D., Marion, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CRAVEN V. GARDNER, Rapid City, S. Dak.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. EPPLER, Gary, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> ----	JOHN M. WILLIAMS, California, Mo.

### FIFTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS., SEPTEMBER 2-8, 1923

Headquarters established at Van Wert, Ohio. Membership, 76,126.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GAYLORD M. SALTZGABER, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. SHERGUR, Union Spring N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ANDREW S. BURT, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OTTO SHIMANSKY, Sandusky, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES O. BROWN, Oak Park, Ill.

**FIFTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 10-15, 1924**

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 65,382.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS D. ARENSBERG, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOSEPH E. HALL, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. CHAS. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

**FIFTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
AUGUST 30 TO SEPTEMBER 5, 1925**

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership 55,817.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN B. INMAN, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Detroit, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM O. ALLEN, Newark, N. J.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN GILBERT, Fall River, Mass.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM P. MCKINLEY, Lebanon, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, <sup>3</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ISAAC COLE, Maplewood, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

**SIXTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1926**

Headquarters established at Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 47,179.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. BEATTY, Independence, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ROBERT H. HILL, Albany, N. Y.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ CHAS. H. HENRY, <sup>4</sup> Eau Claire, Wis. CHARLES KAYSER, <sup>3</sup> Milwaukee, Wis. GEORGE W. MORTON, Berlin, Wis.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. HANNAFORD, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. G. COCHRAN, Sullivan, Ill.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRANK DAGLE, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.



**SIXTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
SEPTEMBER 11-16, 1927**

Headquarters established in State Capitol, Sacramento, Calif. Membership, 38,801.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELBRIDGE L. HAWK, Sacramento, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL E. MAHAN, St. Paul, Minn.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WM. H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JORN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WALTER L. FUNK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**SIXTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.,  
SEPTEMBER 16-21, 1928**

Headquarters were established in Broken Bow, Nebr. Membership, 32,614.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES E. JEWEL, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY J. KEARNEY, New York, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. S. W. HOPKINS, Lodi, Calif.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ THOMAS J. SMITH, <sup>4</sup> McCook, Nebr. MELVIN K. HAGADORN, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**SIXTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE,  
SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1929**

Headquarters established in Worcester, Mass. Membership, 26,219.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	EDWIN J. FOSTER, Worcester, Mass.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. E. NASON, Gray, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. W. SHIELDS, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Newton, Mass.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	D. C. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	C. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.

SIXTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO,  
AUGUST 24-28, 1930

Headquarters established at Fort Morgan, Colo. Membership, 21,080.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES E. JEWEL, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JACOB SECREST, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. LEWIS, Pawtucket, R. I.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. HENRY HILTON WOOD, Long Beach, Calif.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ DAVID N. HEIZER, <sup>4</sup> Colorado Springs, Colo.
	{ ABRAHAM L. EMIGH, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ COLA D. R. STOWITS, <sup>3</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.
	{ EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SAMUEL M. HENCH, Fort Wayne, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	ROBERT W. HILL, Albany, N. Y.

SIXTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 13-18, 1931

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership 16,578.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. CAMPBELL, Mattoon, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JESSEE B. BARTLEY, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WASHINGTON F. HAMBRIGHT, Lancaster, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	IRA D. WILDMAN, Danbury, Conn.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN F. PICKERILL, Seattle, Wash.

SIXTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.,  
SEPTEMBER 18-24, 1932

Headquarters established at Chicago, Ill. Membership, 13,066.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM P. WRIGHT, <sup>3</sup> Chicago, Ill.
	{ RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
	CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
	ARTHUR DAWSON, Oak Park, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Waukegan, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	EMMET F. TAGGART, Akron, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.  
<sup>4</sup> Resigned.



**SIXTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN.,  
SEPTEMBER 17-22, 1933**

Headquarters established at Los Angeles, Calif. Membership, 10,138.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ THOMAS H. PEACOCK, <sup>3</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.
	EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass.
	JOHN E. ANDREW, Quincy, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DARWIN B. WOLCOTT, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	T. M. KELLOGG, Portland, Oreg.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.

**SIXTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y.,  
AUGUST 12-18, 1934**

Headquarters established at Syracuse, N. Y. Membership, 7,807.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED E. STACEY, Elbridge, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARDING I. MERRILL, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. POUNDER, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Jackson, Mich.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. H. DAVIDSON, Louisville, Ky.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	{ HENRY B. DAVIDSON, <sup>3</sup> Springfield, Ill.
	C. PERRY LOMAX, <sup>3</sup> Lincoln, Nebr.

**SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
SEPTEMBER 8-14, 1935**

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 6,244.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. C. ESTABROOK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OVERTON H. MENNET, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. THOMAS, Chicago, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM F. DORSEY, Washington, D. C.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.





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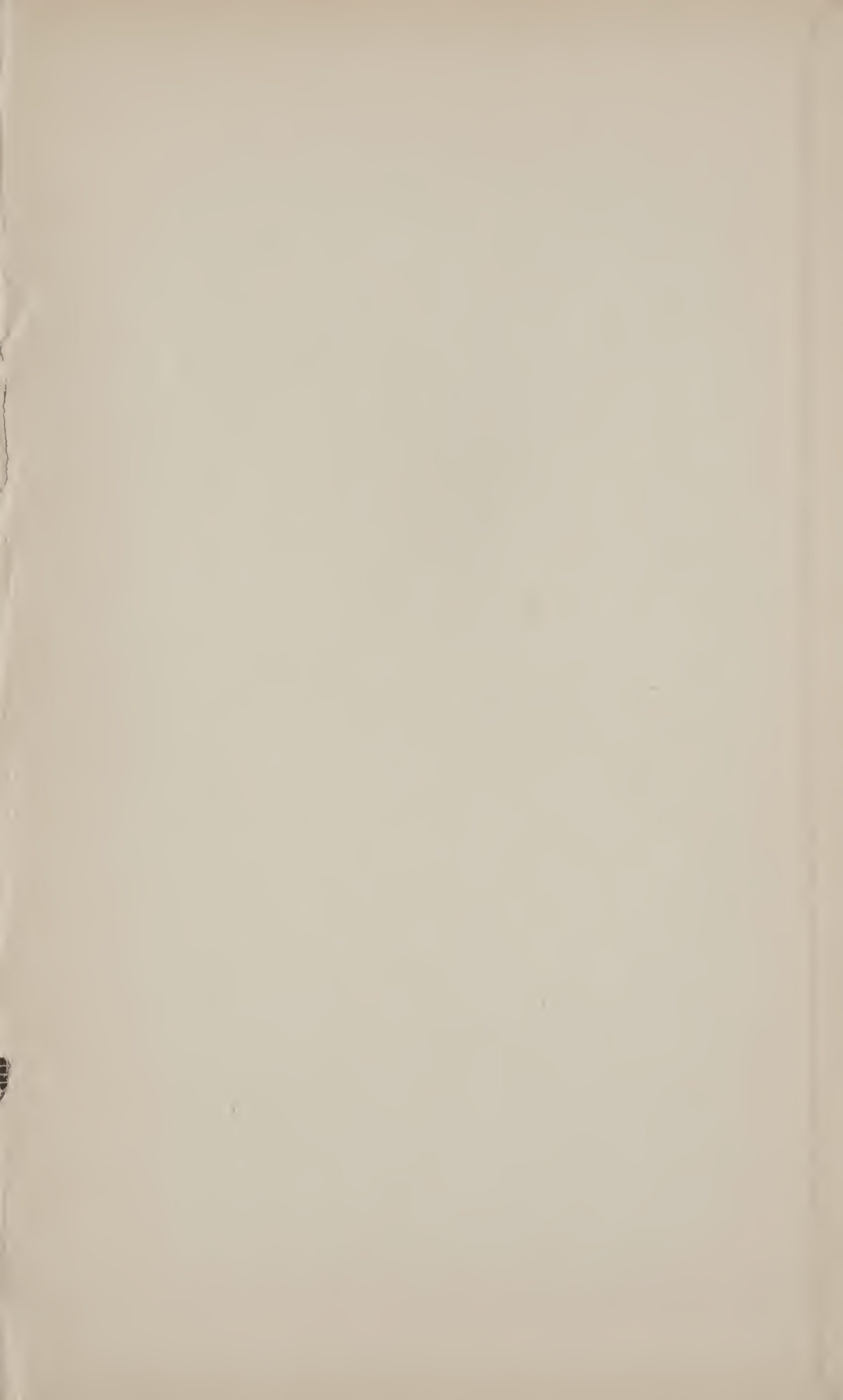


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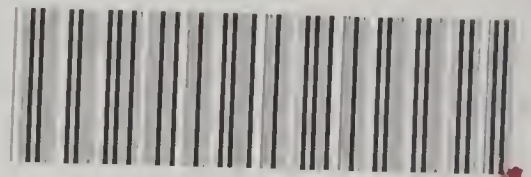
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